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Cannabis dispensary opens on S. State

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

Reflections of Avalon, Ukiah's newest and only medical marijuana dispensary, figuratively opened its chained-link perimeter fence and its black steel reinforced doors for business last week at 1490 S. State St.

Aaron, the owner, refused to reveal his surname and said the added security measures were a precaution to ward off attempts at thievery or worse.

"The fence creates a natural barrier," he said, standing outside his business on Friday. "The outside gate is always locked and patients come and knock when they want to come in.

We've got several layers of security, including closed circuit cameras around the front and back. It's pretty high-tech."

Les Crane, owner of Mendo Spiritual Remedies in Laytonville and Hemp Plus Ministry in Ukiah, was shot to death and an undisclosed amount of money and processed marijuana was stolen from his Laytonville home in November 2005.

Aaron said the procedure for patients obtaining their medicine starts at the door with a written verification from a doctor and a valid state identification card required for entry.

"They fill out an intake form and we

'We have nine varieties currently available. We have medicine available for patients who don't have much money. When people grow for themselves and they have leftover medicine they can take it here and we reimburse them.'

AARON, owner of Reflections of Avalon medical marijuana dispensary

verify with the doctor each time," he said. "We issue a card which means nothing outside this building, but it streamlines the process. Once they come back and the date is expired, they have to verify again."

Aaron said the dispensary is one of only three in the county and has several different kinds of marijuana which vary in price and quality.

"We have nine varieties currently available," he said. "We have medicine available for patients who don't have much money. When people grow for themselves and they have leftover medicine they can take it here and we reimburse them."

Aaron said the process for launching the venture started months ago and in many ways wasn't much different

from starting any other enterprise.

"We started in March," he said. "You apply for a license just like any other business. We are a not-for-profit business. We're not allowed to make a profit. Any money we have left over at the end of the year we donate to charity. Our secretary is a cancer survivor so that will be one of our favorites."

At Tuesday's Mendocino County Board of Supervisors meeting the board delayed hearings on proposed ordinances to ban or to cap the number of medical marijuana dispensaries at three for the county.

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EVERGREENS, WREATHS, CRAFTS AND MORE



Ukiah resident Renee Beck, left, and Lacey Randall, of Redwood Valley, sample the fragrance of a fir tree Friday at Shani's Holiday Wonderland at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds.

Shani's Holiday Wonderland a family affair

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

Located just off State Street at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds, Shani's Holiday Wonderland is more than a one-stop holiday shopping experience, it's also a family affair.

"My mom and I make wreaths and she

works with the crafts," said the business's namesake, Shani Smith, pointing toward the steel building near the operation's entrance which contains popcorn, candy canes and other assorted creations. "My dad shakes out the limbs and gives the trees

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Ukiah native gets Medal of Valor honors

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

A former Ukiah resident received the Medal of Valor from Attorney General Michael Munkasey this week for his actions as a police officer when four men suspected of armed robbery tried to run him over in a parking lot.

"In a line of work where courageous acts can be part of one's daily duties, these extraordinary men set themselves apart through deeds of incredible self-sacrifice and we salute them," Munkasey said.

On May 22, 2006, Kevin Howland, who grew up in Ukiah, was working as an officer with the Sacramento Police Department when he was called to respond to an armed robbery.

Two men had allegedly robbed a young man at gunpoint at around 1 p.m., taking his wallet. The suspects fled the scene in a maroon Chrysler. Howland responded to the area and saw a vehicle that matched the description the victim had given in the parking lot of the Natomas Market Place.

Howland saw two people in the front seat of the car who matched the description given by the robbery victim.

He parked his patrol car to block their exit, called for backup and got out of his car. One of the suspects began to walk away from the car and Howland ordered him to stop and get back in the car.

The driver of the car made a bid to escape, driving toward Howland and clipping the corner of his patrol vehicle. Howland jumped, landing on the hood of the suspects' car but sustaining an ankle injury.

Howland managed to keep his service pistol in hand as the driver of the Chrysler tried to throw him off. In an effort to stop the driver, Howland fired at least five times through the windshield of the car before being thrown off.

The Chrysler continued down the road

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UDJ FOOD BANK FUND DRIVE

Donations at \$56,971

The Daily Journal

Donations continue to arrive for the Food Bank Fund Drive, with the most recent donors being: \$300, AC Delco Auto Parts; \$200, Axt & Mitchell; \$150, Ukiah Valley Fire District Volunteers; \$100, The Baciks; \$100, Judith Popowski; \$100, Barbara Rovera; \$100 Rose Lotti & Barbara Rovera; \$50, Steve V. Bernard; \$50, Julie Merz & Leif Farr; \$50, James & Ann Denham; \$50, Larry Bianchi & Donna Barber;

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Signature requirements vary in supervisor races

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

The filing fees and number of signatures required in lieu of the fee for candidates for Mendocino County supervisor have been announced by Marsha Wharff, county clerk/recorder/assessor, said Katrina Bartolomie, assistant registrar of voters.

Bartolomie said the number of signatures and the value of each signature was based on population and varied from district to district, but that the flat filing fee for all three supervisor positions was \$680.

The fee is computed at the rate of 1 percent of the supervisor's annual salary, which for all three incumbents was \$68,000.

First District Supervisor Michael Delbar's seat required 931 signatures in lieu of the payment, and the worth of each signature was valued at 73.04 cents.

Second District Supervisor Jim Wattenburger's seat required 760 sig-

natures for a candidate to avoid the charge, and each signature was valued at 89.48 cents.

Candidates vying for board chairperson and 4th District Supervisor Kendall Smith's position will have to document 937 supporters if they wish to avoid the charge, with each signature valued at 72.58 cents.

Although the June 3, 2008 primary is still almost half a year away, five candidates have already announced their intentions to run for county supervisor.

Among those who have made their aims known are: Carre Brown for the 1st District; Paula Deeter for the 4th District; and Estelle Palley Clifton, Jim Mulheren and John McCowen for the 2nd District.

In addition to satisfying the filing fee, candidates are required to submit nomination papers from 20 to 40 registered voters from the jurisdiction for which they are running.

Candidates who submit signatures

in lieu of the fee may use 20 to 40 of those signatures to satisfy this requirement. Candidates may submit their signatures to the Elections Office from Dec. 28 to Feb. 21.

The window of time for filing a Declaration of Candidacy, the filing fee and nomination papers runs from Feb. 11 to March 7, 2008, with March 8 to March 12, 2008 serving as an extension period for non-incumbents when the incumbent fails to file.

In addition, each candidate will be required to complete a Declaration of Candidacy where they will be required to decide how their name appears on the ballot.

With a \$300 deposit price tag, a Candidate's Statement is also required and may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications.

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Tentative calendar leading up to the June 3 Primary

Dec. 28 - Feb. 2 -- Signatures in lieu of filing fees may be submitted.

Feb. 11 - March 7 -- Declarations of Candidacy and nomination papers to be filed. The filing fee is due when nomination papers are issued.

March 8 - March 12 -- Extension period for filing Declaration of Candidacy and nomination papers (for candidates when the incumbent fails to file.)

April 7 - May 20 -- States of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination papers.

May 5 -- First day absentee ballots are available.

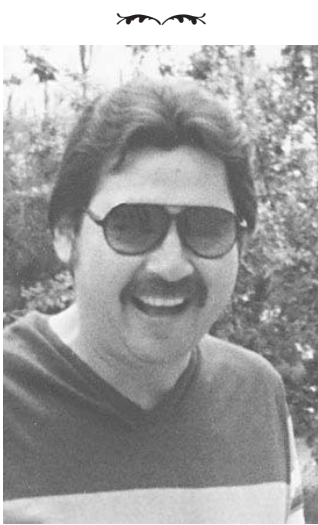
May 19 -- Last day to register to vote.

May 20 -- Last day for write-in candidates.

May 27 -- Last day to receive absentee ballot applications.

June 3 -- Election Day.

FUNERAL NOTICES



DANIEL MENDOZA
Daniel Mendoza, 60, of Ukiah passed away Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at his home with his wife beside him. Daniel was born May 6, 1947 in Los Angeles, Ca. he had lived here locally for the past 29 years. Daniel worked as a retail clerk. His family will

remember Danny as a wonderful husband and father; he was kind and caring of others around him. He had a wonderful sense of humor and a big heart. Danny was very much a family man. His family was his entire life, he loved to cook for them. Danny loved boating, water skiing, camping and driving his 1984 corvette. Our dog Buddy will miss him very much, you never saw Danny without Buddy. Danny was active in coaching men's softball and league bowling. Daniel is survived by his wife of 27 years Christine Mendoza of Ukiah, son Michael and his wife Stephanie Mendoza of Martinsville, Indiana, sisters Ordie Gonzales of Indio, Ca., Bessie Martinez of Indio, Ca., Trina Politto of Beaumont, Ca., Esther and

husband Gabriel Cendajas of Downey, Ca. Priscilla and husband Les Ryan of Palm Springs, Ca., Martha and Dino Belle of Palm Springs, Ca., grandchildren Lisa, Laura and Joseph Mendoza. Daniel was preceded in death by his parents Juan and Emma Mendoza and brother-in-laws Leo Mendoza, Manuel Gonzales, Ed Martinez and Joe Politto. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 12:45 PM at the Calvary Mortuary and Cemetery located at 4201 Whittier Blvd in Los Angeles, Ca. 90023 David will be missed very much! Arrangements are under the direction of the Eversole Mortuary 462-2206

DAVID WILLIAM HUDTLOFF
David William Hudtloff,

83, of Ukiah, passed away suddenly on Monday, Dec. 10, 2007. David was born at home in Redwood Valley, CA on Dec. 4th, 1924 to Theodore and Minnie Hudtloff. He lived in Ukiah for most of his life, except when he served in the Army in WWII. David was an auto mechanic and was in business with Fritz Senften and MacLange at DFM Garage from 1962 to his retirement in 1983. He is survived by a brother, Joseph Hudtloff, a sister, Ernestine Allen, nine nieces and nephews, and his dear friend, Lanora (Nori) Taylor. He was preceded in death by his brother, Ted Hudtloff. A grave side service will be held Friday, Dec. 14th at 2 p.m. at the Ukiah cemetery. Arrangements under the direction of the Eversole Mortuary.

Please sign the guest book at www.ukiahdailyjournal.com. Funeral notices are paid announcements. For information on how to place a paid funeral notice or make corrections to funeral notices please call our classified department at 468-3529.

Death notices are free for Mendocino County residents. Death notices are limited to name of deceased, hometown, age, date of death, date, time, and place of services and the funeral home handling the arrangements. For information on how to place a free death notice please call our editorial department at 468-3500.

Shani's

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a fresh cut, my son packs trees and my daughter runs the cash register."

Smith said she opens her now 2-year-old cold-weather occupation in October when she offers pumpkins for sale. "We take a three-week break in between (the holidays) for Thanksgiving," she said, standing next to a row of trees. "I work at A-Z Construction as a secretary the rest of the year."

Smith said her festive second career offers an entirely different set of challenges from her day job. "I don't get sore from my desk," she said, laughing. "Out here I find muscles I never even knew I had."

Shani said her Holiday Wonderland currently has around 150 trees of five different varieties available for customers to take home immediately, with just as many waiting to be unfurled in the back of the lot.

"The Noble Fir is our biggest seller," she said. "It has the strongest branches. The Doug(las) Fir is the best smelling."

Stationed near the back of the sales floor, Shani's father, Jim Goforth, removes the twine binding the trees are shipped with and saws a small section of the bottom of the trunk off before they are displayed to help water reach



MacLeod Pappidas/The Daily Journal

Shani Smith's father, Jim Goforth, helps prepare a Christmas tree for display on his daughter's Christmas tree lot.

the branches.

"It takes a while for them to return to their natural shape," he said, shaking and fanning the emerald branches of the small conifer in front of him. "You can see how they prune and take the cuttings off the ends to promote growth. Silvertips are the only ones that aren't pruned. People like them natural."

Goforth said he also sometimes gift wraps the trees in candy-cane netting and secures the holiday timber to

the vehicle roofs of any customers who desire the new purchases to ride there on the way home.

"The smallest car I ever had was a Volkswagen Beetle," he said. "We just put it on top and tied it down."

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Shani Smith is a secretary most of the year, but at holiday time, she's the proprietor of Shani's Holiday Wonderland.

POLICE REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Ukiah Police Department. To anonymously report crime information, call 463-6205.

ARREST -- David Minton, 56, no hometown listed, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence at 9:52 p.m. Thursday in the 100 block of East Standley Street.

Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case

of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxicant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

CORRECTIONS

•In Friday's Page 2 article titled "Coast Man Seriously Hurt in Hwy. 20 Head-On," the accident in question should have been listed as occurring on Highway 20 approximately three miles west of the Mendocino County-Lake County line.

•Due to an error that appeared in the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Booking Log, The Daily Digest in Friday's edition

incorrectly listed Gregory Alan Morris, 22, of Ukiah, as being booked into jail instead of being released.

The Ukiah Daily Journal reserves this space to correct errors or make clarifications to news articles. Significant errors in obituary notices or birth announcements will result in reprinting the entire article. Errors may be reported to the editor, 468-3526.

LOTTERY NUMBERS

DAILY 3: night: 4, 0, 7. afternoon: 6, 3, 9.
FANTASY 5: 15, 17, 18, 21, 28.
DAILY DERBY: 1st Place: 10, Solid Gold. 2nd Place: 08, Gorgeous George.

3rd Place: 09, Winning Spirit.
Race time: 1:46.86.
MEGA MILLIONS: 04-07-12-17-30.
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The world briefly

Mukasey rejects Congress' demands for info about destroyed tapes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Michael Mukasey refused Friday to give Congress details of the government's investigation into interrogations of terror suspects that were videotaped and destroyed by the CIA. He said doing so could raise questions about whether the inquiry is vulnerable to political pressure.

In letters Friday to leaders of the House and Senate Judiciary committees that oversee the Justice Department, Mukasey said there is no need right now to appoint a special prosecutor to lead the investigation. The preliminary inquiry currently is being handled by the Justice Department and the CIA's inspector general.

"I am aware of no facts at present to suggest that department attorneys cannot conduct this inquiry in an impartial manner," Mukasey wrote to Sens. Patrick Leahy of Vermont and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, the top Democrat and Republican, respectively, on the Senate Judiciary Committee. "If I become aware of information that leads me to a different conclusion, I will act on it."

Addressing congressional demands for facts in the CIA tapes inquiry, Mukasey noted that the Justice Department generally does not give out information about pending cases.

"This policy is based in part on our interest in avoiding any perception that our law enforcement decisions are subject to political influence," Mukasey wrote. "Accordingly, I will not at this time provide further information in response to your letter, but appreciate the committee's interests in this matter."

2 students killed on LSU campus; police say they were shot during home invasion

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Two students were found shot to death in a home invasion at a Louisiana State University apartment, and officials decided to keep the campus open Friday while police searched for three suspects.

The victims, Chandrasekhar Reddy Komma and Kiran Kumar Allam, both Ph.D. students from India, were found inside an apartment at the Edward Gay complex late Thursday night after authorities received an emergency call.

Police patrols were increased on the 30,000-student campus Friday and students were told to be cautious, but the university was not locked down. Students were taking the last of their final exams, and many had already left for the semester.

The decision not to lock down the campus was made by police after they determined it was an isolated incident and would not spread to other areas of the campus, LSU Chancellor Sean O'Keefe said at a Friday morning news conference.

"There was no evidence, nothing to suggest that there was a pattern here that would rapidly escalate, and as a consequence of that, a determination was made that we would not lock down the campus," O'Keefe said.

Allam's pregnant wife called 911 at 10:37 p.m. Thursday after finding the men dead, according to Srinivasa Pothakamuri, a friend of Komma, and campus officials. Komma, a biochemistry student, had been visiting Allam, who was in the chemistry program.

Clinton rejects former campaign official's comments on Obama drug use

JOHNSTON, Iowa (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton on Friday denounced the comments of an official in her campaign who resigned after raising questions about drug use by Barack Obama.

Clinton was asked about the official's comments about Obama as she campaigned in Iowa, where the controversy has become an issue less than three weeks before the state's leadoff caucuses.

"As soon as I found out that one of my supporters and co-chairs in New Hampshire made a statement, asked a series of questions, I made it clear it was not authorized, it was in no way condoned, I didn't know about it and he stepped down," Clinton said.

A day earlier, Bill Shaheen, a national co-chairman for Clinton and a prominent New Hampshire political figure, had resigned. He and the Clinton campaign had been criticized after he suggested Obama's admitted use of drugs as a teenager could be used against the Illinois senator if he became the Democratic presidential nominee.

Clinton, speaking during a taping of Iowa Public Television's "Iowa Press" program and during a meeting with reporters afterward, sought distance from that comment.

Study: Men face risk from breast cancer genes; doctors urge more to get tested

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Doctors are encouraging a new group of people to consider getting tested for genes that raise the risk of breast cancer: men. Male relatives of women with such genes often do not realize that they, too, may carry them, and face greater odds of developing male breast cancer, as well as prostate, pancreatic and skin cancer, new research suggests.

"Everyone thinks of breast and ovarian cancer and just assumes it's all women. They don't even realize these genes can be inherited from the father's side of the family," said Dr. Mary Daly of Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia.

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RELIGION BRIEFS

Redwood Valley Community Church

Pastor Kevin McDougall will begin the Christmas season with a sermon entitled, "Mid Games." A children's drama on the "12 days of Christmas," will highlight both services; which are at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with nursery and child care provided for both services as well as during Sunday school. Also, on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m., a youth Sunday school is also led by Associate Pastor Justin Talso entitled "Sunday Morning Live."

The AWANA club has its regular program returning for Pre-K through 6th grade on Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m.; this weeks' theme is movie night with a Happy Birthday Party, Jesus.

Women's ministry bible study which usually occurs on Wednesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. will not meet this week.

Encounter Junior High Youth group will meet this week on Thursday. Senior High youth group will hear a lesson on, "Play it: operation" from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesday. Both groups meet in the youth room.

A men's bible study occurs every Thursday night at 7 p.m., in the church library classroom. Visitors are welcome to check it out. The new series continues focusing on the warnings given in the Book of Revelations, as well as reading through the Bible in 52 weeks.

The yearly men's conference will be held at Potter Valley's Hartstone Christian Camp on Feb. 8 and 9.

First Baptist Church

The pulpit message at First Baptist Church this Sunday will be based on Luke 2:10-12 as Pastor Dennis Beatty brings a sermon titled "Get Ready For Christmas."

The workshop service at 10:50 a.m. will feature special music, with a selection from The Praise Service titled "God of Wonders," and a solo presented by Melissa Chaty, recently crowned Miss California. The congregation will sing four Christmas carols. All are welcome to attend.

Ukiah Bible Church

The topic of Ukiah Bible Church's sermon on Dec. 23 service at 10:15 will be the "Gift of Christ." Also, that evening at 6 p.m., they will conduct a Candlelight Worship Service, with refreshments and fellowship following. The community is invited to both services.

Crossroads Christian Church

Crossroads Christian Church will hold a special candlelight service at 10:30 a.m., and an interdenominational service on Christmas day, from 9 to 10 a.m., at Trinity Baptist Church, at 900 S. Dora St.

Father Brannon to speak at Holy Trinity Chirch in Ukiah

On Sunday, Dec. 16, at the 10 a.m. service at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, the Reverend Canon Stephen Brannon will

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Christmas Eve at St. John's Lutheran

The Daily Journal

The public is welcome to celebrate Christmas in a special way this year.

On Dec. 24, musicians from several area churches will perform in a special musical celebration at 7 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Willits. This is an annual event that often is "standing room only" to hear beautiful traditional Christmas music.

The church is located at 24 Mill Creek Drive and the phone number is 459-2988. For more information, call Kathy Gassen at 459-2339.

"It has been my privilege and joy to coordinate this musical Christmas Eve celebration for the past several years," said Gassen. "It is a particular thrill that so many people from different faiths join together to sing praises to God at the celebration of the Saviour's birth."

Area churches represented in the musicale are: St. John's Lutheran, Seventh Day Adventist Church – both churches in Willits and Crossroads Christian Church, Ukiah.

Conducting three choral numbers in this event is Ukiah musician Carole Hester. Orchestra members are: Aaron Ames, piano; Dorothy Heft, organ, Cathy Hall, flute; Philip Thompson, first violin; Steve Eric, second violin; Sharla Eric, viola; Patty Travis, cello; John Hester, string bass.

St. John's celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2003. The Rev. Conrad Coyner, 91, retired as pastor earlier this year after nine years. He likes to say, "I've been pastoring since Woodrow Wilson was President" (more than 60 years). New pastor is The Rev. Matthew Thompson. He began in July, coming from Windsor.



Marcus Burke, 7, and Samantha Thomas, 8, rehearse their parts for the Christmas Eve special service at St. John's Lutheran Church in Willits at 7 p.m. The church is located at 24 Mill Creek Drive and the phone number is 459-2988. For more information, call Kathy Gassen at 459-2339.

He works full time for Sonoma County and spends his weekends serving the church in Willits. He has a son, Philip, who is playing in the orchestra, and a daughter in college.

About St. John's: The beginning of Lutheran services in Willits, according to church records, is due to the dedicated mission efforts of the Rev. Albert C. Young, pastor at that time of Faith Lutheran in Ukiah. The first services were held in the basement of the Willits Carnegie Library on November 15, 1953, with an attendance of 24. In June 1956, the church purchased two lots at its present site for \$3,500.

In January 1957, the young congregation resolved to call a vicar -- Vicar Martin Marquardt -- to serve them. Additional land was purchased for \$7,000. The next pastor was

The Rev. Evan J. Temple, who dedicated the sanctuary June 29, 1958.

By September 1962, when Temple left, the membership had grown to 124. The second resident pastor, The Rev. Marvin C. Anderson, was installed July 15, 1962, serving until August 1, 1966. Membership at this time stood at 167.

In 1964, the church built the parsonage, which was dedicated in 1965.

On Dec. 18, 1966, The Rev. Arthur Avery was installed and served until August 1975. The next pastor, the Rev. Douglas C. Wahlberg, served from Nov. 7, 1976 to 1981, when total membership reached 362. Under the direction of The Rev. Dean Gade, the church's longest tenured pastor (1982-1991), the congregation reached a total

of 130 communicant members.

Following Wahlberg, the Rev. Walter Schedler served from Aug. 23, 1992 until June 1988. Next, a seminary candidate, Randall Donahue, was installed, serving from June 20, 1998 to July 1999. After several interim pastors, Coyner was called as pastor.

During this half century of history, 609 souls were added to the membership roll; 268 infant baptisms, 52 adult baptisms, 139 weddings, 113 funerals, and 90 youth and adult confirmations.

Church growth is more than statistics and economics -- the "power of God unto salvation," and that power works through God's people who are busy sharing the Gospel in their community, says church information. Soli Deo Gloria!



Faith Directory



APOSTLES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELS): Pastor Kent Dethlefsen; Phone 462-8201; Sunday worship: 9:30 am; Sunday School: 10:30 am (Sept. thru May); Communion 3rd Sunday of the month. Church is located at 710 South State Street, (Washington Mutual Bank Plaza) in Ukiah. For more info go to www.ukiahlutheran.org

ASSEMBLY OF GOD: Pastor Lehman Myatt; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Family Night, 7 p.m. Church is located at 395 N. Barnes St.; 468-1468.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD, REDWOOD VALLEY: Reverend Kim Harvey, Senior Pastor; Sunday worship begins at 10 a.m., with kids' church available at that time. Nursery available for children under 5. Wednesday is Family Night, with classes for teens, and children ages 4-12 beginning at 7 p.m. The adults will participate in an in-depth Bible Study. For more information 485-7684.

THE BAHAI FAITH: For more information call 459-3645, 468-8632 or visit: www.bahai.org. **O SON OF BEING!** With the hands of power I made thee and with the fingers of strength I created thee; and within thee have I placed the essence of My light. Be thou content with it and seek naught else, for My work is perfect and My command is binding. Question it not, nor have a doubt thereof.

CALVARY BAPTIST: pastor David Donnel, Sunday morning services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; evening service 6:00 p.m.; AWANA Clubs Wednesdays, 6 to 8 p.m.; Sept. - May; mid-week prayer Wednesday, 7 p.m.; jr. high youth Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.; sr. high youth, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. Church is located at 465 Luce Ave., call 462-5638

CALVARY CHAPEL OF UKIAH: Pastor Les Boek; Sunday morning service 10AM. Wednesday night bible study at the church. 1045 S. State St., Ukiah; For more information. Call 485-1002. Listen to C.S.N. at 88.1 FM.

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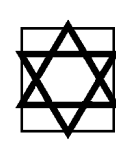
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Sweet land of liberty



NAT HENTOFF

When lawyers take to the streets

Declaring "emergency rule," Pervez Musharraf suspended Pakistan's Constitution, replaced seven justices of the Supreme Court and placed the chief justice under house arrest. Immediately, thousands of Pakistani lawyers, in their black suits, took to the streets demanding that justice be restored. Many were beaten and arrested; and in solidarity, American lawyers rallied in protests, leaving courtrooms to show Musharraf and the world why they became lawyers.

On Nov. 13 in New York, some 700 lawyers gathered in front of Manhattan's State Supreme Court building. Also present were the deans of three law schools as Catherine Christian, president of New York County Lawyers Associations, heralded Pakistani's lawyer's fight "for liberty and an independent legal system."

Nationally, the American Bar Association reported that "many state, local and specialty bar associations" were issuing statements and planning events to honor their Pakistani colleagues' embodiment of the rule of law.

Moreover, The New York Sun reported (Nov. 14) that "the American Bar Association has called for lawyers to march around the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., and attend a rally on the courthouse steps."

And in New York, Barry Kamins, president of the New York City Bar Association, announced that he had received an e-mail from students and professors at Lahore University from the battleground for justice in Pakistan. Appreciating the encouragement from America's lawyers, the message from those on the front line said: "What Pakistan faces today is the subordination of every independent organ of state to unchecked and unaccountable military executive power."

This heartening bonding of defenders of the rule of law also made me realize that there is an important lesson for what American lawyers can do for restoring accountability at home from an administration that, with regard to our Constitution, has been acting as if the president, as commander in chief, has certain military powers in dealing with terrorism to revise the Constitution all by himself.

One of many examples: President Bush has given the CIA extralegal authority to operate secret prisons and conduct kidnapping "renditions" that allow the enemy and even some of our friends to mock our pride in being a global model of constitutional democracy. Yet, this weakening by the administration of the very structure of our founding document (along with our individual liberties in the Bill of Rights as we become a surveillance nation) is not an issue among most prospective voters in the presidential election, as is evidenced by the indifference to it by most of the candidates.

Even Joe Biden, whose knowledge of the Constitution and proposed legislation to repair it makes him an exceptionally qualified candidate, does not cite it nearly enough on the stump.

By contrast, during the Vietnam War, the increasing controversy about the lack of debate among the general public was accelerated when college professors and students held teach-ins on campuses. Supporters of the war had counter-sessions, and the public got involved until Congress felt the impact.

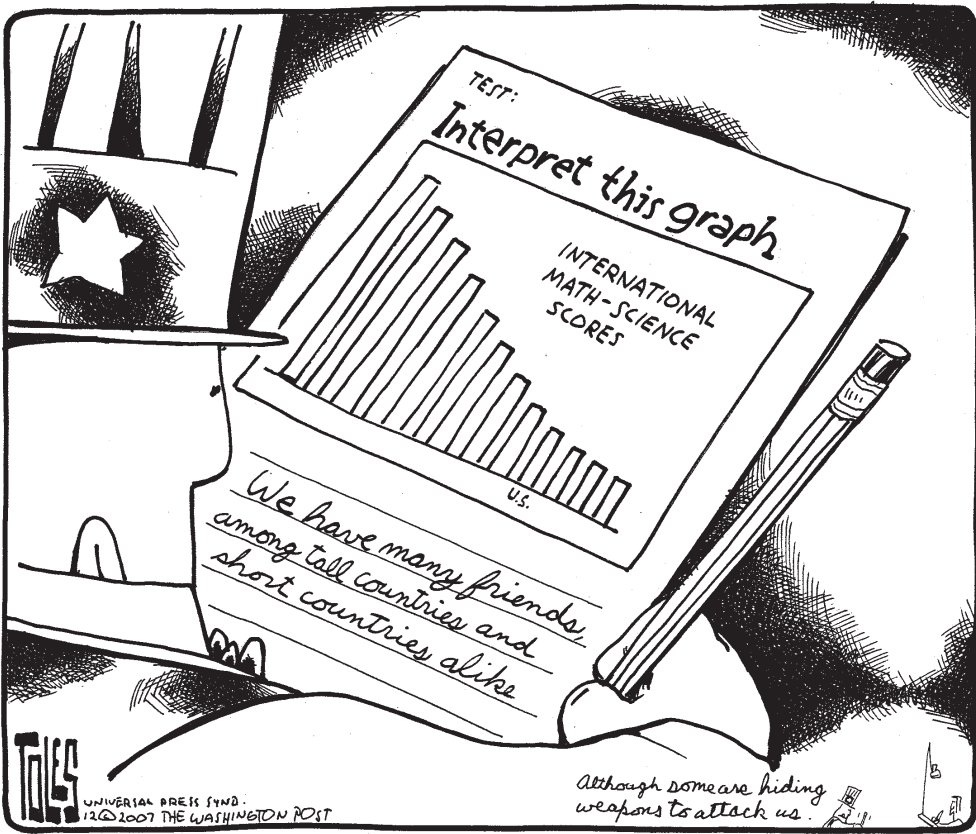
And right now, having admirably instructed the citizenry here about the breakdown of law in Pakistan, American lawyers on the streets could be a valuable instructive force about our breakdown of law as the presidential elections near by having sit-ins, including debates, not only at colleges but also at community centers, on television and the Internet (and why not on YouTube?).

The homicidal threat of terrorism against American targets, including people, will not abate once we have a new administration. Nor will the continuing threat from within to our institutions and values if the strong precedents for unitary executive power set by Bush and Cheney are adopted by the next president.

With Rudy Giuliani in the Oval Office, for instance, unaccountable executive power might well increase. I am not at all confident that any of the other front-runners in either political party are eager to let go of the expanded authority bequeathed to the next president by George W. Bush.

And the John G. Roberts, Jr.-Samuel A. Alito, Jr. Supreme Court -- unless it is suddenly converted to an "originalism" based on the clear statement of separation of powers in the Constitution -- may not be a dependable shield against a sincere but misguided commander in chief convinced he or she has no time to deal with delaying judicial supervision. American lawyers taking to the streets, rallying the citizenry to support the rule of law, could convince the presidential candidates and the next Congress to prevent the terrorists from using fear to change who we are as Americans.

Nat Hentoff is a nationally renowned authority on the First Amendment and the Bill of Rights.



Letters from our readers

Thank you

To the Editor:

What a great Ukiah Truckers Light Parade! Over 100 volunteers and 1,000 community members demonstrated community pride once again in Ukiah. Put the 2008 Truckers Light Parade on your calendar for December 6, 2008.

I want to thank the NCO Volunteer Network, the Harley Davidson Motor Cycle Group, Christian Motor Cycle Club, the Molochs and other riders who helped with the traffic controls and especially April Simmons and her group of volunteers, Valley Paving and the barricades for a great Christmas present to the community!

David Simmons led off with the DenBeste Yard and Garden Truck, followed by Willits Towing & Recovery, S&J Trucking (Second Place), UVAH, Cochran Transmission and Santa, The Pub, Coleman Construction-Toys for Tots, Ukiah Community Center, B & B Industrial Supply, MT A Holiday Trolley, Ukiah Lighthouse of Aglow International (First Place), Stevo's Towing and Storage, Dunne Wood Vineyards -- N -- Winery, Sellars Towing (Third place), Above & Beyond Towing, Ukiah Unified School District, Home Depot, Dave's Bike Shop, D&S Trucking, Kitty Rose, Nor Cal Powder Coating, Friedman's Home Improvement and the Stanisloo's with Dalario Truck & Equipment Repair. Santa and the Ukiah Fire Department crashed the parade at the last moment and we let them go first. I especially want to than CALSTAR for their great fly over.

This event kick-started this community's Christmas Spirit. Studio 3 Presents will be broadcasting the Parade on Cable Channel 56 Saturdays at 3 p.m. and Sundays at 10 a.m., with additional broadcast times into Christmas Day. To help make next years Parade a success, you can send your donations to Human Services at PO Box 24 Ukiah, Ca. 95482. Again thanks for a great Parade.

Jimmy Rickel
Ukiah

Why are our prices so high?

To the Editor:

I was on the road Thursday, Dec 6, and traveled through several small cities along Highway 20 in Lake County, and through Ukiah, Willits and Fort Bragg in

Mendocino County. I noticed that gas prices in Lake County varied from \$3.279 to \$3.299 per gallon. I did not see a Chevron station there. In Willits, the gas prices went from \$3.179 mto \$3.349 (at a Chevron station). In Fort Bragg the gas prices went from \$3.319 to \$3.359 (at a Chevron Station). The price of gas in Ukiah was from 3.379 to \$3.439 (at a Chevron station).

The gas prices in Ukiah were well above those in the cities to the North, East and West of Ukiah. All of those places, with lower gas prices, are further from the refineries than Ukiah and have higher delivery costs. I have been asking myself, "Why?" I keep coming up with the same answer, someone in this area is keeping the price of gasoline artificially high. And they are making a great deal of money by doing so. The next question is, "Who?" Is it a an individual? A local company? A group of station owners that are agreeing to set the prices high? Who? If you know please write a letter to the Journal and share the information.

How long are the people in the Ukiah area willing to tolerate paying more for their gas than those who live in neighboring areas? If gasoline prices are going to continue to be artificially high I would support a Safeway gas station, like they have in Willits, or a Costco store if it had a gas station.

Ken Budrow
Ukiah

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California focus



TOM ELIAS

Employees' salaries still under wraps

For a few months, things have seemed a little like the old cliché about the noise from a tree falling in the forest ever since the California Supreme Court ruled in late summer that salaries paid to all employees by cities, counties, local utility districts - in fact, all government agencies - are public information. If no one sees it, hears it or makes note of it, does it matter if it really happened?

With the exception of some parts of the San Francisco Bay area, it's as if nothing happened after the Contra Costa Times of Walnut Creek and the Los Angeles Times both won their legal efforts to get at public employee salaries.

Within days of the rulings, Santa Clara County released information on the salaries of thousands of workers to the San Jose Mercury News, part of the same newspaper group as Contra Costa. The city of San Jose also released its data, as did San Mateo County and several other cities and agencies in the area. Salaries of many state employees have long been public, with the last several governors listing the pay for every person they've appointed in the press releases announcing the appointments.

Even before the court ruling, the cooperative city/county of San Francisco turned over its salary data to the new, free San Francisco Daily, which published names of all local public employees making more than \$100,000. This was significant because when that paper's co-owner and editor, Dave Price, edited the free Palo Alto Daily News earlier in this decade, Palo Alto city officials - at the behest of public employee unions - refused to disclose and an appeals court upheld the city's right to keep salaries private.

The Contra Costa Times decision essentially reversed the earlier ruling in the Palo Alto case, where a Superior Court judge held that employee rights to privacy trumped the public's right to know public salaries.

In the Los Angeles Times case, the state Commission on Police Officer's Standards and Training had claimed pay records for officers are confidential, but the Supreme Court ordered a lower court to work out how that information can be released.

Summing up both cases, state Chief Justice Ron George wrote in a landmark 30-page opinion that "Openness in government is essential to the functioning of a democracy." The only exception, the opinion said, is "where a (law enforcement) officer's anonymity is essential to his or her safety." In short, police officers operating under cover are suddenly the only public employees who can say their salaries and names are private matters.

The information released so far to newspapers in the Bay area starkly reveals why public employee unions and organizations didn't want it known. For it's now plain that public employees often earn significantly more than their private industry counterparts, with more job security and often with better benefits.

Imagine how future public employee union bargaining everywhere in California could be influenced if this became widely known.

In the city of Santa Clara, for instance, 37 percent of workers earn more than \$100,000 per year. That, of course, includes police, firefighters and others who often put in many hours of overtime.

But what about the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, a medium-sized bus company that carried about 39 million riders in 2006? Its general manager earned a total of \$344,250 that year, more than the president of the United States, the governor of California or the mayor of Los Angeles.

The reason given for such sky-high public employee pay is that it's needed for competitive reasons, to retain capable people. But that bus manager's salary is more than double the amount earned yearly by the southwest regional vice president of a large school bus company operating in many cities and carrying far more riders in hundreds more buses. That executive's identity is in fact private because he's not a public employee.

Examples like this make many wonder whether such astronomical salaries and the sky-high pensions that often accompany them are really necessary to attract good employees. Maybe they are in medicine, where a Santa Clara Valley Medical Center anesthesiologist proved to be his county's top-paid employee for 2006 at \$493,291.

The bottom line is that information like this will prove interesting to voters and taxpayers everywhere it is released.

But cities and counties won't release it willingly when they are pressured by their labor union bargaining partners to keep it confidential as long as possible.

Both the League of California Cities and the state's Association of Counties say they know of no cities or counties outside the Bay area that have released complete salary information. The likelihood is that none will unless or until it must.

Tom Elias is a syndicated columnist.

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This week:

- TODAY, UHS varsity boys basketball in Loggers Classic @ Eureka
- TODAY, UHS JV boys basketball in Windsor Tourney
- TODAY, UHS freshmen boys basketball in Arcata Tourney
- TODAY, UHS JV girls basketball in Ukiah JV tourney 6 & 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY
DIGESTUkiah Valley Youth
Soccer League
Membership

Ukiah Valley Youth Soccer League is holding their League Membership Meeting January 22, 6:30 at the Consolidated Tribal Health (on North State St between Calpella and Redwood Valley) At this meeting we will elect new Board of Directors for the 2008 season, establish fee increases adopt any changes to the Constitution, By-Laws and/or General Procedures. This is an open meeting for anyone to attend and give feedback on how your season went. For further information please visit our web-site uvysl.org or call the hotline at 467-9797.

Mendo Volleyball
workout

The Mendo-Lake Spikers Volleyball Club is hosting a workout for girls interested in playing club volleyball on Saturday, December 15 in the Mendocino College gym. Potential players ages 14 and up will drill and play from 10 am to noon; girls under will go from noon to 2 pm. This is not a try-out, just a day to play and check us out. Coaches will be on hand to answer questions. There is no charge for this event. So come out and play! For more information call Ori @ 468-3163 or 972-1128 or email opolky@hotmail.com

Women's
Roller Derby
League Forming

Roller Girls is for women 18 years and older of all skating abilities. Contact is light and the main object is to maintain physical fitness and have fun. Roller Girls meet at Skate City on Wednesdays from 8:00p.m.-9:30p.m. starting this Wednesday December 5, 2007. Helmets, wrist guards, elbow pads, and knee pads are required. The cost is \$40 per calendar month. This includes Wednesday Derby practice from 8-9:30p.m. and Friday extreme sessions from 6:00-7:15p.m.

Attention Coaches!!
Coaches, make sure to report all game scores online to udjsports@pacific.net, ASAP.

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MLB | OFFSEASON

A's trade Haren to Diamondbacks

By JANIE McCAULEY
Associated Press

The Arizona Diamondbacks acquired All-Star pitcher Dan Haren from Oakland and traded major league saves leader Jose Valverde to Houston in separate swaps involving 12 players Friday.

Oakland also sent right-hander Connor Robertson to Arizona and received six players: left-handers Brett Anderson, Dana Eveland and Greg Smith; infielder Chris Carter; and outfielders Aaron Cunningham and Carlos Gonzalez.

The NL West champion Diamondbacks got reliever Chad Qualls, infielder Chris Burke and right-hander Juan Gutierrez from the

Astros.

Haren, who was 15-9 with a 3.07 ERA this year, became the first elite starter to switch teams this offseason — which could set off a flurry of moves by other teams in search of pitching.

The Minnesota Twins are listening to trade offers for two-time Cy Young Award winner Johan Santana, who can become a free agent after next season. Baltimore is thought to be shopping lefty Erik Bedard.

Haren joins a Diamondbacks rotation that includes 2006 NL Cy Young Award winner Brandon Webb. Arizona also hopes to get Randy Johnson back from injury next year.

"We had a significant amount of

interest in Dan, as you would expect," Athletics general manager Billy Beane said on a conference call. "As I said from the start of this winter, the way we went forward was going to be, first and foremost, on the health of the club, and how much interest there was in a guy like Dan and what was going to be the return if we did decide to trade him."

Valverde, who had 47 saves in 54 chances this year, takes over as Houston's closer from inconsistent Brad Lidge, a 2005 All-Star who was traded to Philadelphia on Nov. 7 in a five-player deal that sent speedy outfielder Michael Bourn to the Astros.

Haren quickly emerged as the ace of the A's staff this season following the departure of Barry Zito to the San

Francisco Giants. The right-hander set career bests for wins, strikeouts (192) and ERA. His ERA was the third-lowest in the American League.

But the A's missed the playoffs after reaching the AL championship series the previous year. Oakland (76-86) had its streak of winning seasons end at eight, and went 9-17 in September for its worst final month since going 8-20 in 1985.

Beane is always open-minded about his low-budget franchise and had said he would listen to offers for Haren, Joe Blanton or other pitchers such as closer Huston Street. In 2004, Beane traded Tim Hudson and Mark Mulder in a three-day span — and Haren came to the A's from St. Louis in the Mulder deal.

COMMUNITY SPORTS | UKIAH JR. CUBS FOOTBALL

All-Star experience



photo courtesy Mike McCulloch

The Ukiah Jr. Cubs All-Star game representatives pose for a group photo. From L-R (back row): Chase Lynch, Dylan Stecketer, Cheyenne Noda (front row) D.J. Anderson, Khalil Capri and Chris Crow.

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

The Ukiah Jr. Cubs sent six players to the North Bay Youth Football Conference (NBVFC) All-Star game this year as a part of traditional conference rules. For the All-Star game, every NBVFC team sends six players save for the conference champion which earns the privilege of sending eight.

The six players chosen to represent the Cubs were Chase Lynch, D.J. Anderson, Khalil Capri, Cheyenne Noda, Chris Crow and Dylan Stecketer.

In addition to the players, each team is also represented by at least one coach for the game.

This year the game was in Santa Rosa. On Wednesday and Thursday of last week, the Cubs traveled to Santa Rosa for evening practices from 6 - 8 p.m. On Saturday, the teams practiced from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and then were treated to a barbeque where the players all received their all-star jerseys.

The players were split up in to two teams -- red and blue -- with each conference team sending half of it's players to each squad.

The game featured a dominant red team which won 12-6 and dominated both sides of the ball. However, their lone weak spot was on special teams as twice the blue team was able to block the

punt, one of which gave the blue team the ball at the 10-yard line.

In the end though the score was irrelevant as the day was a success for everyone involved.

"The All-Star game gives the players and coaches a chance to get to know their competitors on a more personal level, with friendships built which last throughout their youth football years and on into High School," said Ukiah head coach Mike McCulloch.

Ukiah's players represented their team very well. Dylan started at quarterback for the blue team and ran the

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SKIING | BOREAL
MTNSuperpipe
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The Daily Journal

Donner Summit, Calif. (Dec. 14, 2007)- Boreal Mountain Resort announced today that its marquee terrain park feature, the superpipe, will open for skiing and snowboarding Friday, December 14th at 5:00 p.m. Located on Race Course Run and accessible via the Accelerator High Speed Quad chairlift, Boreal Mountain Resort currently offers California's first and only superpipe for winter 07/08.

Boreal has gained a reputation for providing a superpipe with spot-on specs. 450' in length, 18.5' high walls and a consistent slope grade of 15 degrees qualifies Boreal's superpipe as an Olympic-caliber terrain park feature. Opening Boreal's superpipe on December 14th marks a full 30 days earlier than its opening last winter. Despite low natural snowfall early this winter, Boreal has been able to make snow with dedicated conviction throughout the last two weeks of biting cold temperatures.

"I wait all summer to get my snowmaking and grooming up and running to build our superpipe, and this year we are first to open the flood gates to our loyal riders. We are committed at Boreal, to providing the best parks and pipe, even if we have to stay up night after night to make it happen," said Eric Rosenwald, Terrain Parks Manager at Boreal.

Groomed twice daily, once from 2 p.m. -6 p.m. and once overnight (weather permitting), so that skiers and riders can expect this signature feature to be in top shape

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NFL | WEEK 15

Ocho-Cinco has nothing but love for Niners' Willis

By GREG BEACHAM

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — After watching tape on dozens of opponents over seven NFL seasons, not much shows up on film that really impresses Chad Johnson.

This week, one defensive player put a few choice words in the speedy Cincinnati receiver's mouth.

"I have to curse," Johnson said apologetically before launching into a joyous, expletive-filled celebration of Patrick Willis, San Francisco's stellar rookie linebacker.

"I've seen a lot of linebackers in my seven years, and that (guy) is good," Johnson said. "He is the real deal. And you know he's playing with a cast on his hand, right? All during film, I'm calling him Bam-Bam, like from 'The Flintstones,' because he hits everything. He is the truth. You tell him 85 said, 'You're the truth.' I stopped watching the defensive backs to watch him."

With Johnson and Willis on the same field Saturday night, there are at least two reasons to seek out a game that won't spark any protests over its

exclusive broadcast on the NFL Network.

The 49ers (3-10), losers of 10 of their last 11 during a hugely disappointing season, will start third-string quarterback Shaun Hill against Carson Palmer and the Bengals (5-8), who are out of AFC playoff contention during their own discouraging year.

Motivation can be tough to find in such meaningless contests, but Willis hasn't been in the league long enough to be downtrodden — and he's currently leading the NFL in tackles, a fact not lost on Johnson.

"I've been hearing about it a little bit," said Willis, who has 136 tackles, 17 more than Detroit's Ernie Sims, according to league statistics. "But I'm just a rookie. I still have to go out there every week and prove myself, and this week we've got a chance to go against

a great team that's done some great things in this league."

The Bengals will make their first visit to Candlestick Park since 1996 to face the franchise that beat them in two Super Bowls. Cincinnati offensive tackle Willie Anderson and San Francisco defensive tackle Bryant Young are the only remaining links from that last Bay Area meeting in the waning years of the 49ers' excellence.

"I remember Steve Young running a bootleg 25 yards with a pulled hamstring," said Anderson, who hasn't played since Oct. 21 because of a knee injury. "We couldn't catch him. I remember a young Terrell Owens. We had no idea who he was, and he caught a long touchdown bomb on us. I was really excited to see Jerry Rice. I tried to watch Jerry Rice all game."

Anderson also remembers coach Dave Shula was fired after that mid-season game, part of a long list of failed Bengals coaches after the franchise's Super Bowl losses to the 49ers.

Those glory days are long-faded memories in San Francisco, where the petty infighting between coach Mike Nolan and quarterback Alex Smith has

been the most distinguishing factor in the 49ers' fifth consecutive losing season, a franchise record.

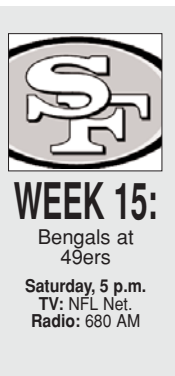
While Willis' battle with Johnson and Palmer could provide some excitement, the game should be decided when San Francisco's league-worst offense goes against Cincinnati's woe-of defense, which has sabotaged the Bengals' chances for a playoff return.

Cincinnati will be facing a third-string quarterback making his first NFL start for the second straight week. With Smith undergoing season-ending surgery and Trent Dilfer still hazy from a concussion, the Niners turned this week to Hill, a sixth-year backup who had never thrown a pass before playing well last weekend.

It could be a golden opportunity for the Bengals to win back-to-back games for the first time in more than a year. But Hill's 22-of-27 performance last week suggests the Niners might be able to coax some life out of the NFL's worst offense.

"Maybe it's a little different way to get on the field, but as it's turned out,

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KINGS 109 | 76ERS 99

Miller scores 25 to help Kings get first road win

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The short-handed Sacramento Kings finally got their elusive, long-awaited road win by going back to the basics: shooting, rebounding and passing.

Brad Miller had 25 points and 10 rebounds, Mikki Moore tied his career-high with 24 points and the Kings became the final NBA team to win a road game with a 109-99 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers on Friday night.

John Salmons contributed 19 points and Beno Udrih had 15 for the Kings, who entered the game with nine straight road losses to open a season, matching a team record set in 1987-88 and again in 1993-94.

“We definitely needed that,” Salmons said. “It felt good to get this first one.”

The Kings also broke the streak without injured starters Mike Bibby, Kevin Martin and Shareef Abdur-Rahim.

They shot 54 percent from the field, including a stretch of 13 consecutive layups and dunks between the third and fourth quarter. Sacramento out-rebounded Philadelphia, 39-31.

“It was one of the best passing games we’ve had,” Kings coach Reggie Theus said. “We had real good

ball movement and got layups off good cuts. It’s something we’ve been working on.”

Andre Miller scored 24 points, Willie Green added 16 and Andre Iguodala and Lou Williams had 15 apiece for Philadelphia, which had its season-best four-game win streak snapped. Kyle Korver added 13 for the Sixers.

“We’re an energy team and we can’t come out and not play with any energy,” Williams said.

Philadelphia trailed 85-69 on a basket by Ron Artest with 2:07 remaining in the third quarter, but the Sixers responded with the final five points of the period.

The Sixers trailed by double figures for much of the fourth quarter, before a basket by Miller cut the lead to 100-91 with 2:22 left.

But Philadelphia turned the ball over twice and Moore, who was 10-of-11 from the field, converted a 3-point play with 1:12 remaining for a commanding 103-91 advantage.

“They just made big plays in the game,” Iguodala said.

Sacramento continued its torrid shooting, which included hitting 18-of-21 from the free throw line.

“We got guys in the right position to

score,” Brad Miller said.

Meanwhile, Sixers coach Maurice Cheeks said his team’s defense couldn’t match its offense.

“Our defense was not what it has been for the past four games,” Cheeks said. “There are going to be games when our defense is not going to be good. Unfortunately, our offense and defense was not good, so a combination of that is going to result in a loss.”

After Philadelphia built an early lead, the Kings rallied to tie the game at 51 at halftime behind clutch shooting from the field.

The Sixers also shot well, hitting 20-of-38 (53 percent) shots from the field.

NOTES: Korver has hit 10-of-18 3-pointers in his last five games. ... Theus, when asked before the game if his team had to be loose to win a game on the road: “The pressure is on. We need to win a game. This is not Club Med.” ... Philadelphia’s Miller scored 14 points on 7-of-8 shooting in the first quarter. ... Artest was assessed a technical foul in the third quarter.

Kings-76ers, Box SACRAMENTO (109)

Artest 3-7 2-4 9, Moore 10-11 4-4

24, Miller 9-12 6-6 25, Udrih 5-15 4-4 15, Salmons 8-16 2-3 19, Garcia 4-8 0-0 8, Hawes 2-7 0-0 4, Thomas 1-2 0-0 2, Douby 1-2 0-0 3, Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-80 18-21 109.

PHILADELPHIA (99)

Iguodala 4-12 6-6 15, Evans 2-3 0-4 4, Dalembert 2-4 0-2 4, Miller 10-14 4-4 24, Green 6-15 1-1 16, Korver 5-8 2-2 13, Young 2-5 1-1 5, Williams 6-10 1-2 15, Smith 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 38-74 16-24 99.

Sacramento	24	27	34
24	—	109	
Philadelphia	28	23	23
25	—	99	

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 5-12 (Salmons 1-1, Douby 1-1, Miller 1-2, Artest 1-3, Udrih 1-4, Garcia 0-1), Philadelphia 7-16 (Green 3-6, Williams 2-3, Iguodala 1-3, Korver 1-4). Fouled Out—Korver. Rebounds—Sacramento 45 (Miller 10), Philadelphia 39 (Dalembert 9). Assists—Sacramento 27 (Miller, Udrih 6), Philadelphia 23 (Miller 8). Total Fouls—Sacramento 20, Philadelphia 21. Technicals—Artest, Sacramento defensive three second 2. A—10,856 (20,444).

Niners

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this is the chance I’ve got, and I just want to make the most of it,” Hill said. “We’re playing a good team that’s had a frustrating season, just like us, so hopefully we can execute and get something going.”

That’s been a season-long problem for Nolan, who spent 2001 on the Baltimore coaching staff with Cincinnati coach Marvin Lewis. Nolan made a one-year foray into coaching receivers, while Lewis coordinated the Ravens’ fearsome defense — a job Nolan inherited in 2002.

Lewis has been through his share of controversy on the way to his fourth non-winning record in five years with the Bengals. But he’s never been publicly criticized the way Smith has ripped into Nolan for the coach’s veiled comments about his toughness.

“I don’t think anyone has the intention of making these things public, and it’s unfortunate when they do,” said Lewis, whose family became friends with Nolan’s brood in Baltimore. “We are going to disagree all the time about things. My guys here know that I push them to get them going. I’m going to push all the time.”

Niners hire Andy Dolich as COO; no football changes announced

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The San Francisco 49ers hired veteran sports executive Andy Dolich to be their chief operating officer Friday, but owner John York claimed the move wasn’t a precursor to a major organizational shakeup for the struggling franchise.

Dolich, the president of business operations for the NBA’s Memphis Grizzlies, will have control of all non-football aspects of the beleaguered 49ers, including the drive to build a new stadium in Silicon Valley. Dolich spent 14 years with the Oakland Athletics from 1980-94 before his stint with the Grizzlies.

“Even as the A’s were winning championships highlighted by the Battle of the Bay World Series in 1989, I always looked across the Bay in admiration of the gold standard that the Niners exemplified in Northern California sports lore,” Dolich said.

“I’m eager to work with Denise and John York and the 49ers organization, using my sports business skills to ensure that this storied franchise remains one of the most venerable and valuable in all of professional sports.”

York, who hasn’t commented publicly on the 49ers’ disappointing 3-10 season under third-year coach Mike Nolan, refused to speak about the football direction of the franchise. York also said he doesn’t plan to turn over day-to-day supervision of the franchise to his oldest son, Jed, contrary to rumors.

“All of those are football issues that we will be discussing and going over after the end of the season,” York said.

NBA Capsules

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Vince Carter matched a season high with 32 points, Richard Jefferson had 24, and the New Jersey Nets snapped a four-game losing streak with a 105-97 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Friday night.

Reserve Josh Boone added a season-high 15, even though he was 2-for-4 from the line when the Cavs intentionally fouled him on consecutive possessions in the fourth quarter. Boone, who threw up an airball from the line earlier, was 3-of-8 there overall.

Jason Kidd finished with eight points, 11 assists and eight rebounds as the Nets overcame their usual slow start at home to win for only the second time in seven games — both against Cleveland.

LeBron James had 29 points, eight assists and six rebounds for Cleveland, which has lost seven of eight, five without James.

Celtics 104, Bucks 82 BOSTON (AP) — Paul Pierce scored a season-high 32 points and Kevin Garnett had an easy 15 with seven rebounds on Friday night as the Boston Celtics overcame Ray Allen’s absence to match the franchise record with a 12-0 start at home.

With Allen sitting out a game or two to rest a sore ankle, Tony Allen started and scored 11 points. Rajon Rondo scored 17 — one off his season high — with eight assists for Boston, which also won its first 12 home games in 1984 en route to the ’85 NBA finals.

Garnett played just 29 minutes for the Celtics, who pulled away when they outscored Milwaukee 32-15 in the third quarter. Boston will try to set the team record Wednesday against Detroit.

Magic 103, Bobcats 87 CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Dwight Howard had 33 points and 18 rebounds to help Orlando snap a three-game losing streak.

Hitting the court an hour after a trade that sent starting center Primož Brezec and forward Walter Herrmann to Detroit for center Nazr Mohammed, the Bobcats were no match for Howard inside.

Hedo Turkoglu added 22 points for the Magic, who improved to an NBA-best 12-3 on the road and snapped out of their recent doldrums after their surprising 16-4 start.

Raymond Felton scored 18 points and Gerald Wallace scored 16 points on 6-of-19 shooting for Charlotte, which blew a 13-point third-quarter lead.

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Raptors 104, Pacers 93 INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jason Kapon scored 17 of his career-high 29 points in the fourth quarter to lead Toronto to its fourth straight win.

Chris Bosh had 22 points and 16 rebounds, and Jose Calderon had a career-high 16 assists and 18 points for the Raptors (14-10), who overcame a 17-point third-quarter deficit.

Mike Dunleavy scored 23 points and Jamaal Tinsley added 19 points and 10 assists for the Pacers (11-12).

Detroit 91, Atlanta 81 AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Chauncey Billups scored 23 points and Tayshaun Prince added 17 points and 10 rebounds.

Richard Hamilton added 18 points for Detroit, which has won eight of its last 10.

Joe Johnson scored 23 and Marvin Williams added 15 for the Hawks, who only dressed 11 players. Josh Childress missed the game with a recurring groin injury and rookie Al Horford was suspended for Tuesday’s flagrant foul on Toronto guard T.J. Ford.

Atlanta closed within three midway through the third quarter, but Jason Maxiell provided a lift by drawing three quick shooting fouls in succession, and the Pistons were never really threatened the rest of the way. **Clippers 98, Grizzlies 91**

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Chris Kaman and Corey Maggette both scored 23 points and Kaman had 16 rebounds.

Cuttino Mobley scored 17 points and had six assists for the Clippers, who sent Memphis to its sixth straight loss.

The Grizzlies were stymied by a stretch of more than 10 minutes in the second half where they did not connect on a field goal and managed only nine free throws. Memphis committed 25 turnovers.

Mike Miller scored 23 points to lead Memphis, while Hakim Warrick added 20. **SuperSonics 99, Timberwolves 88**

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Chris Wilcox had 19 points and 11 rebounds to help Seattle overcome a sluggish start.

Kurt Thomas added 18 for Seattle, which won its second straight on the road, and fourth game in six starts overall.

Al Jefferson had 22 points and 16 rebounds for Minnesota. Rashad McCants had 17.

PGA TOUR | TARGET CHALLENGE

Tiger sets course record and takes big lead

By DOUG FERGUSON

Associated Press

THOUSAND OAKS — Tiger Woods is a gracious tournament host, at least until the tournament gets started.

Woods continued to show midseason form at the end of the year with a 10-under 62 on Friday, setting the course record at Sherwood Country Club and building a four-shot lead over Jim Furyk in the Target World Challenge.

Playing for the first time in 10 weeks, Woods looked sharp as ever. He stretched his lead with a couple of long putts, one of them for eagle on the par-5 11th, and finished his record round with an 9-iron into 6 feet on the final hole that brought the fans to their feet.

“He’s not a very friendly host to shoot 10 under,” said Henrik Stenson, who played with Woods and was 10 shots worse.

Woods was at 13-under 131 as he tries to win his tournament for the fourth time. The previous record of 63 was held by three players, most recently Michael Campbell in 2005.

Furyk, coming off a seven-week break, birdied the last two holes for a 67 and will be paired with his Ryder Cup and Presidents Cup partner in the third round Saturday.

Masters champion Zach Johnson birdied the last three holes for a 67 and was another shot behind.

Never mind that the Target World Challenge is a money-grab for the 16-man field, with a \$5.75 million purse that is larger than some PGA Tour events. Woods treated this as if he might even get some FedEx Cup points.

“I still expect a lot from myself on each and every shot,” he said. “As far as added pressure, it doesn’t change. Whether it’s this event or all the way up to a major championship, it’s still

the game. I want to get a ‘W.’ That’s why I enter the tournament.”

Scores were generally low on a calm, mild afternoon in the foothills just east of the Pacific Ocean. What made Furyk take notice of Woods’ round was that it was five shots better than anyone else.

“Hell of a host,” Furyk said, grinning.

Woods is coming off the longest unforced break of his career, having not hit a competitive shot since Sept. 30 at the Presidents Cup. Playing this well so soon is nothing new, considering Woods has won his season-opening event four times in his career.

This speaks more toward how comfortable and confident he is with his swing.

“The best way to describe it is a lot of the swing changes, the major swing changes that I had with Hank (Haney), we’ve already made them,” Woods said. “Now you just have tweaks here and there. But understanding what the fix is, that’s the biggest thing.”

One of the looser shots came on the par-3 eighth, a 5-iron that floated well right of the pin and wound up in deep rough. He scrambled for par by making an 8-foot putt, then bounced right back with a 3-iron to the fairway and a 9-iron that covered the flag until it settled about 5 feet from the cup for birdie.

Woods only had a one-shot lead at that point, but not for long.

He reached the 11th in two with a 5-iron and holed a 25-foot eagle putt, then made a 30-foot birdie on the 12th that might still be rolling if the hole had not been in the way. Woods straightened and smiled, realizing the good golf still requires some good breaks.

“When things kind of go your way, they go your way,” he said with a shrug.

They kept going to the very

end, from a tricky 18-foot putt up the hill at No. 17 that dropped for birdie, to his approach to the final hole for a final birdie and his 62.

Furyk is far from out of it, the lifelong Pittsburgh Steelers fan did not turn into Anthony Smith and guarantee victory over the world’s No. 1 player. Furyk chuckled at the thought.

“We all know what happens when you (tick) Tiger off,” he said.

Even so, he knows a good round when he sees one, even if he could only see it from 300 yards behind him.

“A good round usually is when you separate yourself from the field,” Furyk said. “Today he shot five shots lower than anyone else in the field. That’s a good round. I would consider that a great round.”

Most players would say it’s tough to follow up a record round with another one. Woods has shot 62 or lower five times on the PGA Tour, and the best he ever did the next round was a 65 in the 1999 Buick Invitational, which he won.

“You want to feel the same, but you never really do,” he said. “I’ve learned over time ... to play shot-for-shot.”

British Open champion Padraig Harrington tried to keep pace until he ran out of birdies on the back nine and settled for a 67, leaving him seven shots behind and counting the days before he can start his long winter’s nap.

Harrington won this tournament five years ago by holding off a late charge by Woods, but he doesn’t like the way he is playing, and he’s not the least bit comforted by who’s ahead of him on the leaderboard.

“If the guy who’s leading keeps playing the way he is playing, he can’t be caught,” Harrington said.

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offense very effectively, while Chase played slot receiver and almost broke a double reverse for a touchdown.

Cheyenne, as usual, made the opposing offense feel his presence as he started on the defensive line and was in on several tackles. D.J. played tight end for the red team and had a fine game blocking. Chris and Khalil also played defense and took part in several key defensive stops with Khalil almost coming up with an interception.

Superpipe

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TEXANS 31 | BRONCOS 13
Houston's Mario Williams has 3 1/2 sacks in 31-13 win over Broncos

By CHRIS DUNCAN
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Mario Williams helped Gary Kubiak look more like the mentor than the protege against the Denver Broncos.

Last year's No. 1 pick had a career-high 3 1/2 sacks Thursday night to lead the Houston Texans to a 31-13 victory over the Broncos in Kubiak's first regular-season matchup with his former boss, Mike Shanahan.

Kubiak was Shanahan's offensive coordinator for 11 seasons before he took over Houston in 2006. Not surprisingly, the Texans' defense often seemed to know what was coming much of the game against the Broncos.

"There's a lot of faces over there I've been through many games with," Kubiak said. "I was thinking today that Mike and I, as a player and coach, have been in over 350 NFL games. That's a lot of ball and I'll always have a lot of respect for what he does."

The two embraced at mid-field and had a brief conversation when the game ended.

"I just said, 'Hey, great job. You got your team ready to play,'" Shanahan said. "'You outplayed and outcoached us.'"

Turns out Kubiak and Texans management know how to pick a good defensive player when they see one, too.

The Texans (7-7) have been hearing for two years what a mistake they made by drafting Williams over Reggie Bush and Vince Young with the No. 1 overall pick in last year's draft.

But Williams was disrupting the offense Kubiak once ran all night and became the Texans' career sacks leader in

the process. After wrapping up Jay Cutler for the third time, Williams sashayed like a hula dancer, perhaps lobbying for an invitation to the Pro Bowl.

And why not? Williams now leads the AFC with 17 1/2 sacks and he's had one in a team-record five straight games.

"That's what I was drafted for," he said. "I feel like I have to be accountable to my teammates and this organization to go out and try to help us win a game and get a winning season."

Houston tied the franchise record for victories with its seventh of the season. After losing to Young and Tennessee, the Texans have rejuvenated once-remote playoff hopes with two straight wins.

The franchise has never finished above .500 in six seasons of existence.

"I think we still have something else to do," Kubiak said. "I told the kids a while ago, that our football team is 60 minutes from being able to say we're a winning team. To have a season that is a winning season, that's a huge step."

The Broncos (6-8), meanwhile, were practically conceding that their postseason hopes are dashed after losing for the third time in four games. They were puzzled why they couldn't duplicate their level of play in last week's 41-7 win over Kansas City.

"It'll take a miracle for us to get into the playoffs," said Brandon Marshall, who caught 11 passes for 107 yards.

Sage Rosenfels and Ron Dayne had touchdown runs as

Houston built a 17-6 lead. The normally subdued Dayne, who won the Heisman Trophy in 1999, celebrated his touchdown by striking the Heisman pose. He had 11 carries for 67 yards.

Tony Scheffler caught a short pass from Cutler and leaped for a touchdown in the final minute of the third quarter to cut it to 17-13. Scheffler was upended at the goal line by Houston cornerback Von Hutchins and fumbled as he came down.

Officials ruled Scheffler broke the plane of the goal line before Hutchins hit him, but Kubiak challenged the call. After review, the play stood.

The Texans answered with a smooth drive that Rosenfels finished off with a short touchdown pass to Andre Johnson.

"We've just been too inconsistent, not playing hard enough and being outplayed and everything," Denver cornerback Champ Bailey said. "Across the board, we just didn't get it done."

Williams' third sack of Cutler forced the Broncos to punt and the Texans stretched the lead to 31-13 on Vonta Leach's 1-yard run with 3:20 remaining.

The Texans made the most of their first primetime game since 2005.

"We had an opportunity in front of a lot of people," Kubiak said. "We were the only game tonight and that was a little pressure for our guys. Our guys have never been in that situation, but it's a great opportunity for our organization and our kids."

Cutler was 27-of-39 for 254 yards with one touchdown and was sacked five times.

SCOREBOARD

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	17	11	3	37	79	73
N.Y. Rangers	16	12	3	35	71	70
Philadelphia	16	11	2	34	90	80
N.Y. Islanders	15	13	2	32	69	84
Pittsburgh	15	14	2	32	89	92

Northeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	20	7	3	43	102	78
Boston	17	11	3	37	83	78
Montreal	15	11	5	35	89	89
Toronto	13	12	6	32	97	100
Buffalo	14	14	1	29	91	84

Southeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	16	13	3	35	98	100
Tampa Bay	14	15	3	31	99	104
Florida	14	15	2	30	78	83
Atlanta	14	15	1	29	83	101
Washington	12	17	2	26	79	91

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	22	6	3	47	107	71
St. Louis	16	11	2	34	76	74
Columbus	14	11	6	34	81	78
Chicago	15	13	2	32	91	86
Nashville	14	13	2	30	82	86

Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	17	12	3	37	85	79
Minnesota	16	12	2	34	73	78
Colorado	17	13	1	35	94	92
Calgary	14	13	5	33	92	97
Edmonton	15	16	2	32	90	102

Pacific Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	17	9	4	38	80	68
Dallas	17	11	4	38	94	83
Anaheim	15	14	4	34	83	94
Phoenix	13	16	0	26	70	83
Los Angeles	12	18	2	26	90	107

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Thursday's Games

New Jersey 3, Boston 1
Montreal 4, Philadelphia 1
N.Y. Islanders 3, Phoenix 2
Ottawa 4, Pittsburgh 1
Edmonton 4, Detroit 3, SO
Calgary 9, Tampa Bay 6
Colorado 2, Nashville 1
Dallas 4, Los Angeles 1
Florida 1, St. Louis 0
San Jose 5, Vancouver 2

Friday's Games

Calgary 4, Carolina 3
Buffalo 5, Washington 3
Toronto 4, Atlanta 0
Minnesota at Anaheim, Late

Saturday's Games

Phoenix at New Jersey, 10 a.m.
Dallas at San Jose, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Buffalo, 4 p.m.
Atlanta at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 4 p.m.
Columbus at Boston, 4 p.m.
Carolina at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders, 4 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 4:30 p.m.
Nashville at Colorado, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 7:00 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Phoenix at N.Y. Rangers, 2 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 2 p.m.
Calgary at St. Louis, 3 p.m.
Florida at Chicago, 4 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 5 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	18	2	.900	—
Toronto	13	10	.565	6 1/2
New Jersey	9	13	.409	10
Philadelphia	9	13	.409	10
New York	6	15	.286	12 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
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Orlando	16	7	.696	—
Washington	12	10	.545	3 1/2
Atlanta	10	11	.476	5
Charlotte	8	12	.400	6 1/2
Miami	6	16	.273	9 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	15	7	.682	—
Indiana	11	11	.500	4
Cleveland	10	12	.455	5
Milwaukee	9	12	.429	5 1/2
Chicago	7	13	.350	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	17	5	.773	—
New Orleans	14	8	.636	3
Dallas	14	9	.609	3 1/2
Houston	12	11	.522	5 1/2
Memphis	6	15	.286	10 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	14	8	.636	—
Utah	13	10	.565	1 1/2
Portland	12	12	.455	5
Seattle	6	17	.261	8 1/2
Minnesota	3	17	.150	10

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	17	6	.739	—
L.A. Lakers	13	8	.619	3
Golden State	12	10	.545	4 1/2
L.A. Clippers	8	13	.381	8
Sacramento	8	13	.381	8

Thursday's Games

Washington 104, Miami 91
L.A. Lakers 102, San Antonio 97
Friday's Games

Toronto 104, Indiana 93
Sacramento 109, Philadelphia 99
Boston 104, Milwaukee 82
L.A. Clippers 98, Memphis 81
Detroit 91, Atlanta 81
Orlando 103, Charlotte 87
Seattle at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
New Jersey 105, Cleveland 97
Chicago 101, New York 96
Dallas 89, New Orleans 80
Utah at Portland, Late
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, Late

Saturday's Games

Memphis at Orlando, 4 p.m.
Charlotte at Atlanta, 4 p.m.
Sacramento at Washington, 4 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 4:30 p.m.
New Jersey at New York, 4:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 4:30 p.m.
Phoenix at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 5:30 p.m.
Denver at San Antonio, 5:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.
Seattle at Utah, 6 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Golden State at Detroit, 9:30 a.m.
Boston at Toronto, 10 p.m.
Portland at Denver, 5 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 6:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball
MLB—Suspended SS Julio Gonzalez (Texas) for the first 50 games of next season for testing positive for a performance-enhancing substance under baseball's minor league drug program.
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Claimed RHP Greg Aquino off waivers from Milwaukee.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Sent RHP JD Martin outright to Buffalo (A).
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Traded RHP Billy Buckner to Arizona for INF Alberto Callaspo.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with 3B Mike Lamb on a two-year contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Traded RHPs Dan Haren and Connor Robertson to Arizona for LHPs Brett Anderson, LHP Dana Eveland, LHP Greg Smith, INF Chris Carter, OF Aaron Cunningham and OF Carlos Gonzalez.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Kazuo Fukumori on a two-year contract and INF Edgardo Alfonzo on a minor league contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with SS David Eckstein on a one-year contract and C Sal Fasano on a minor league contract.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Traded RHP Jose Valverde to Houston for INF Chris Burke, RHP

Chad Qualls and RHP Juan Gutierrez.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with RHP T.J. Beam on a minor league contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Named Randy Ready manager and Max Venable hitting coach for Portland (PCL). Agreed to terms with LHP Shawn Estes and LHP Glendon Rusch on minor league contracts.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Suspended Chicago F Tyus Thomas for one game, without pay, and fined Indiana F Troy Murphy \$10,000 for fighting in a game on Dec. 12.
CHARLOTTE BOBCATS—Assigned F Jermaine Davidson to Sioux Falls of the NBBL.
LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS—Signed G Richie Fournier.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
DALLAS COWBOYS—Agreed to terms with NT Jay Ratliff on a five-year contract extension.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Named Andy Delich chief operating officer.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Released QB Jason Elam.
File from the practice squad. Signed QB Sam Hollenbach to the practice squad.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS—Traded C Andy McDonald to St. Louis for C Doug Weight, LW Michael Birner and a fourth-round pick in the 2008 entry draft.
FLORIDA PANTHERS—Signed C Shawn Matthias.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Recalled F Antti Pihlstrom from Milwaukee (AHL).
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Recalled D Alexandre Picard from Philadelphia (AHL). Assigned F Ryan Potvin to Philadelphia.
PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled C Joel Perrault from San Antonio (AHL).
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Placed D Alexei Semenov on injured reserve.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalled C Blair Jones from Norfolk (AHL).
COLLEGE
UTICA—Named Blaise Faggiano football coach.

TOP 25 FARED

Friday

No. 1 North Carolina (8-0) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
No. 2 Memphis (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Middle Tennessee State, Saturday.
No. 3 Kansas (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Ohio, Saturday.
No. 4 Texas (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas State, Saturday.
No. 5 Georgetown (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Radford, Saturday.
No. 6 Duke (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Albany, N.Y., Monday.
No. 7 Washington State (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. The Citadel, Thursday.
No. 8 UCLA (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Idaho State, Saturday.
No. 9 Michigan State (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. IPFW, Saturday.
No. 10 Marquette (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Sacramento State, Saturday.
No. 11 Pittsburgh (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.
No. 12 Tennessee (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Middle Tennessee, Saturday.
No. 13 Indiana (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Western Carolina, Saturday.
No. 14 Texas A&M (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Sunday.
No. 15 Clemson (8-0) did not play. Next: at Puerto Rico-Mayaguez, Thursday.
No. 16 Oregon (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. San Diego State, Saturday.
No. 17 Xavier (8-1) did not play. Next: at Arizona State, Saturday.
No. 18 Butler (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Florida State, Saturday.
No. 19 Gonzaga (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Northern Colorado, Monday.
No. 20 Vanderbilt (10-0) did not play. Next: vs. Tennessee State, Saturday, Dec. 22.
No. 21 Arizona (6-2) did not play. Next: vs. Fresno State, Sunday.
No. 22 Louisville (5-2) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Saturday.
No. 23 Villanova (7-1) beat Hartford 103-75. Next: vs. Columbia, Saturday, Dec. 22.
No. 24 Saint Mary's (Cal. 7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Tulane, Thursday.
No. 25 BYU (8-2) did not play. Next: vs.

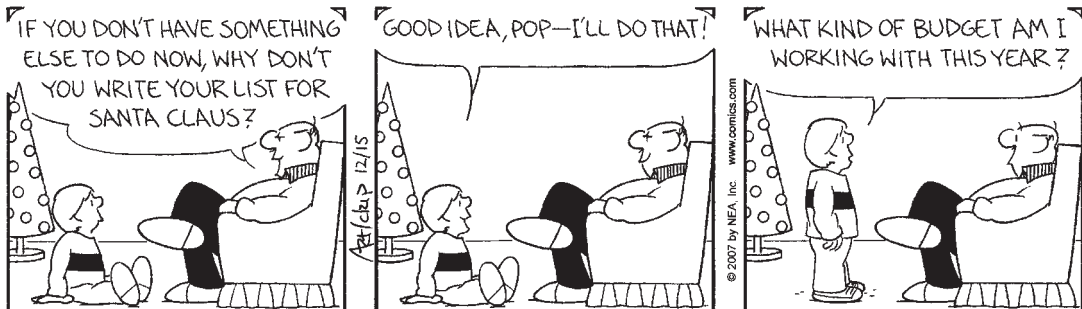
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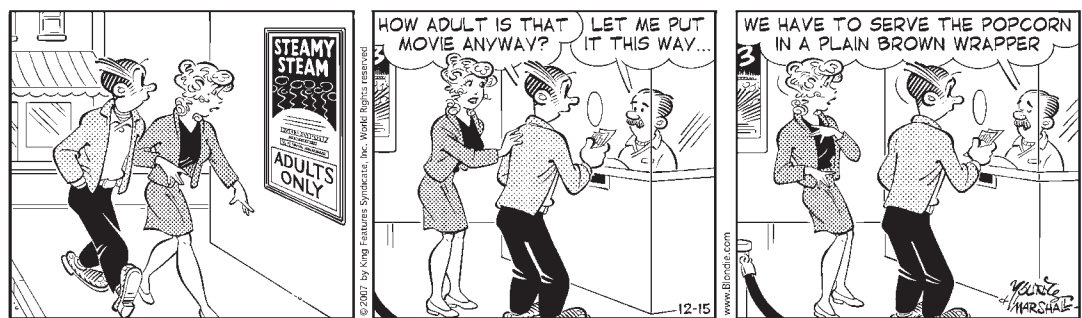
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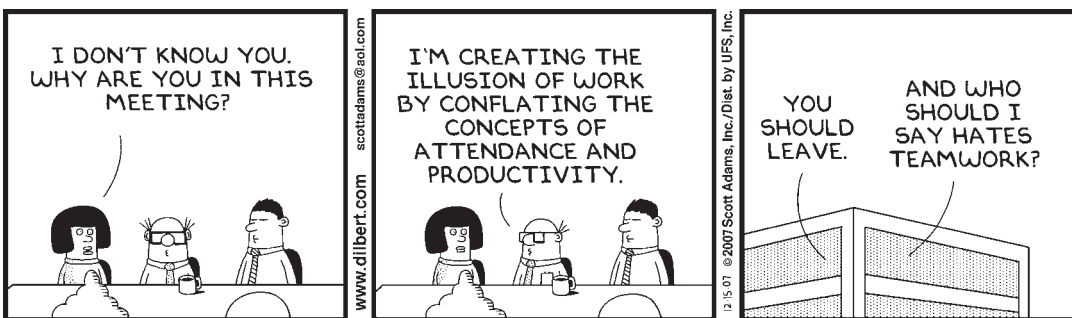
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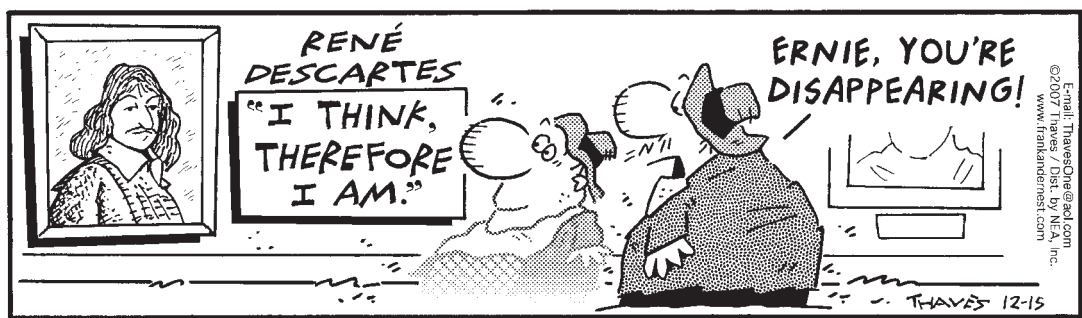
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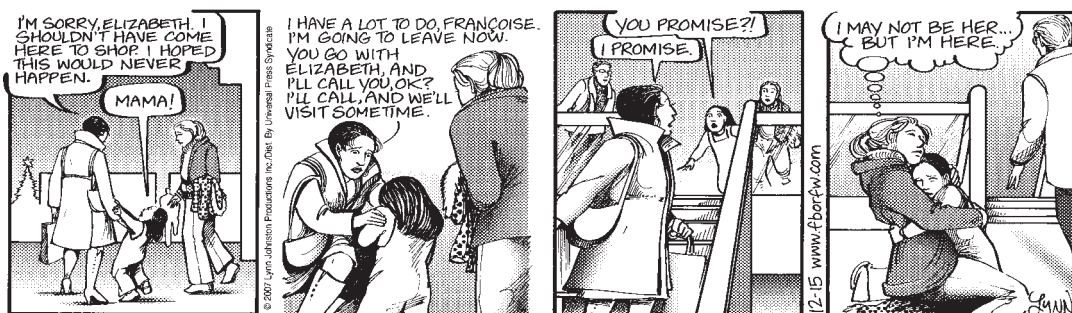
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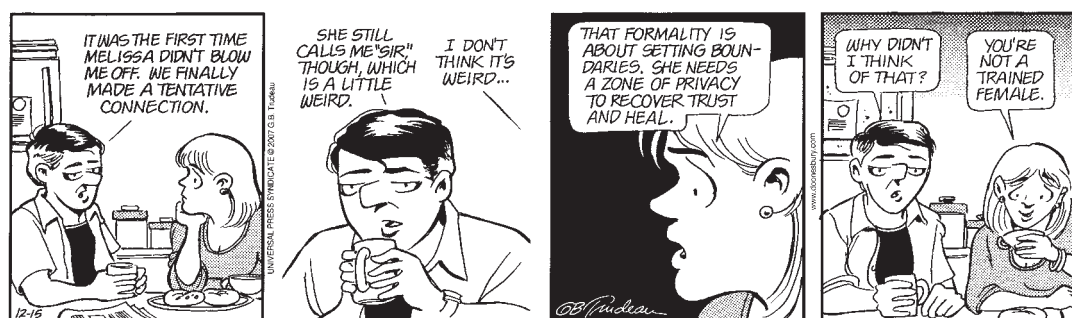
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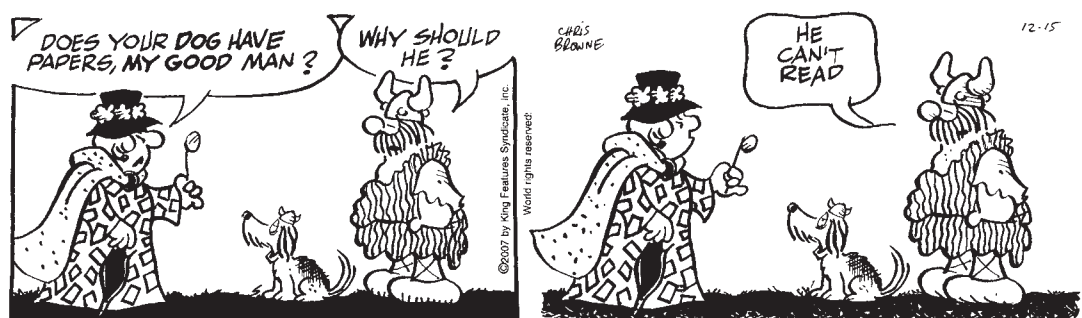
DOONESBURY

by Gary Trudeau



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

by Dik Browne



Datebook: Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007

Today is the 349th day of 2007 and the 83rd day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1799, George Washington died at Mount Vernon, his home in Virginia.

In 1819, Alabama was admitted as the 22nd U.S. state.

In 1981, Israel annexed the Golan Heights, which it had captured from Syria in 1967.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Nostradamus (1503-1566), astrologer/physician; Margaret Chase Smith (1897-1995), senator; James Doolittle (1896-1993), aviator; Spike Jones (1911-1965), bandleader/comedian; Lee

Remick (1935-1991), actress; Patty Duke (1946-), actress, is 61; Craig Biggio (1965-), baseball player, is 42; Vanessa Hudgens (1988-), actress, is 19.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1988, after losing the first 17 games of the season, the Miami Heat defeated the Los Angeles Clippers, 89-88, for the franchise's first win.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Greatness is not

manifested by unlimited pragmatism, which places such a high premium on the end justifying any means and any methods." - Margaret Chase Smith

TODAY'S FACT: The melody of "The Star-Spangled Banner" comes from a drinking song called "The Anacreontic Song."

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Dec. 9) and first quarter (Dec. 17).



ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



Sunday, Dec. 16, 2007

In the year ahead, the urge to do something different with your life could be quite profound. Rather than move through life aimlessly, plan something worthwhile -- such as gathering new knowledge or learning a new activity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Although you may not be off to the most dazzling of starts, your finishes will be rather dramatic and desirable. Look for the unexpected to happen for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Because something you say could have greater impact on friends than normal, the events to follow will also be unanticipated --

and they will strengthen friendships as a result.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- It's a good day to go shopping, because there are likely to be all kinds of unique bargains and items available that will be exactly what you are looking for.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- More fun can be had from spur-of-the-moment occurrences than anything that takes great pains to plan. Keep your agenda flexible and open.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- It will be no problem for you to quickly and accurately size up situations by trusting your intuition as well as your

deductive reasoning. You will realize both can be a big help.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- It is important to realize that your companions have an enormous effect on your outlook, even if you think you are your own person. Mingle with progressive thinkers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Even though today may be a day of rest for many people, achievement is still within the realm of possibility for you. When the unexpected pops up, do it now instead of putting it off.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- You may be at the receiving end of some very unusual information. Store it

away even if it does not fit into your present plans, because it will be exactly what you need down the line.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Something you can take advantage of business-wise will develop through a friend, not a business associate. It will be just what you are looking for.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Do not make the mistake of discounting your mate's intuitive flashes of inspiration just because they do not fit with your normal line of thinking. The concept could be ingenious.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Your clever ideas could go a

long way toward impressing those who pass out the bonuses in life. Be sure to share them with anyone who can make your life easier.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- There is a strong possibility that you will hear from, or run into, someone you do not see often. Whether it is a chance meeting or not, it will be the forerunner of something more exciting.

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Puzzlers

ACROSS

1 Fit for the job

5 Blue chip initials

8 Huff and puff

12 Holly shrub

13 London lav

14 Done with

15 What's cooking

16 Postpones (2 wds.)

18 Robin's snack

20 Hush-hush org.

21 Sauce

22 Come out even

25 Summer Games org.

28 Bed choice

29 Date part

33 Thin icings

35 Burnt up

36 Rock-and-roll legend

37 Seal or Jobs

38 Talk hoarsely

39 Not so fast!

41 Conclude

42 Flops down

45 Belly dance

48 Catch a bug

49 Gross!

52 Muscle

55 Former student

57 Get better

58 Start of a bray

59 Runner's unit

60 — spumante

61 NFL scores

62 Falling-out

DOWN

1 Intend

2 Spouted, as a whale

3 Late-night host

4 Upscale neighborhood

5 Linen vestment

6 Jungle squawker

7 Fiddling with

8 Container

9 Rara —

10 Verne skipper

11 Playing card

17 Pouch

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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31 Whips up

23 Fleur-de- —

24 Fictional gov-erness

25 Roger of Walt Disney

26 Earthen jar

27 NBA team

30 Roof overhang

31 Nefertiti's god

32 Rip apart

34 Fastens a parka

35 Tiber's country

37 Plant crops

39 Frank Lloyd —

40 Ceased

43 Prospect for gold

44 Coal deposits

45 Safety agcy.

46 Navajo foes

47 Mild expletive

50 Film segment

51 Grass-skirt dance

53 Yalie

54 Guys and fel-lows

56 Gathered

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THE LEARNING CHALLENGER

by Robert Barnett

DIRECTIONS:

A. Using each "Chaos Grid" number with its letter one time, arrange the numbers with their letters for the "Order Grid" so each vertical column, horizontal row, and two diagonals each ADD to numbers inside thick lined cells.

B. Some correct numbers with their letters have been put into the "Order Grid" to get you started. Also, above the "Order Grid" is a "Decoded Message" clue.

C. After you have solved the "Order Grid" doing as direction "A" says, put the letters from horizontal rows, from left to right, under "Decoded Message" and make words to form the answer.

CHAOS GRID

11	-4	8	3
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9	0	21	1
T	S	E	O
12	2	12	21
R	A	V	W
13	13	-2	8
T	E	I	L

CLUE: LEARNED

ORDER GRID

				32
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		8		32
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	9		12	32
	T		V	
2				32
A				
32	32	32	32	32

12/15/2007

DECODED MESSAGE:

Answers in Monday Edition

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Answers to Previous Learning Challenger LAUGHTON AND MASON

88	-11	-10	79
L	A	U	G
24	45	46	31
H	T	O	N
44	31	24	47
A	N	D	M
-10	81	86	-11
A	S	O	N

12/14/2007

Run in papers of Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: N equals M

“ D P S G P I M D G J Z P X V A K ' D G D G J C C V

E K L M D V J L Y B J L Z Z A G J Z Z B A

Z E A K I J L Y A X I A N G Z E P L M . ” - N P Z S E

E G Y T G D M

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "Life is tough, and if you have the ability to laugh at it, you have the ability to enjoy it." - Salma Hayek

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GENUB

NUCOE

GREJIG

GERBID

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

12-15

CLEANING A CARPET CAN BE A---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: “ ” (Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: JUMBO REBEL ORIOLE SLEEPY Answer: What he experienced when he studied math — “PROBLEMS”

Estranged siblings are causing family holiday hardships

Dear Annie: Three years ago, my sister, “Carol,” said some awful things to me and our brother, “Stewart.” She wounded us deeply and fractured our relationship. My parents worked diligently to get us to reconcile. After more than a year, I was able to patch things up, although I know we will never be close again.

However, despite my parents’ best efforts (and mine), Stewart has not spoken to Carol in three years. We have pushed them to seek sibling counseling, but neither will initiate it. Because of this, holidays are an extremely painful and upsetting time. My parents and I have discussed various options, including boycotting all holidays, or rotating which year my parents go to Stewart’s home and which year they go to Carol’s. All options are pathetic.

Because of the estrangement, I won’t be able to spend time with my parents on holidays. Furthermore, my children are deprived of creating memories with their grandparents no matter which option we choose. All three of us

ANNIE'S MAILBOX

By Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar

have young children, and I worry about the example Carol and Stewart are setting.

None of us is willing to have a “Stewart holiday” and a “Carol holiday” each year. Factoring in driving, time and money, it seems absurd. Annie, are there any solutions? -- Stuck in the Middle

Dear Stuck: Can you host these holiday festivities at your home or a neutral location, like a restaurant? Invite both Stewart and Carol, saying that holidays have become painful and you want them to be a special family time for your children and your parents. Add that they do not have to be chummy with one another or interact in any way, but you

hope they can each be civil for the duration. Sometimes these estrangements take on a life of their own, and it can help if an opportunity to smooth things over presents itself, especially if neither sibling has to make the first move.

Dear Annie: I am a 50-year-old widow of two years and have chronic back pain. My late husband and I developed a schedule of staying up late at night and sleeping away most of the morning. We enjoyed it. My parents, however, don’t understand. They think I am wasting the day and want me to get out more.

I have explained that my back hurts and doing things that require a lot of activity makes it worse. I also am still mourning my husband and was recently diagnosed with thyroid cancer.

I am tired of my family minimizing my pain and depression. My parents treat me like a child and expect me to ask their permission to stay home from church on a Sunday morning. They constantly criticize me for being online and staying up late. How can I make them stop? -- Enough on My Plate

Dear Enough: You can’t make your parents do anything, but you can change your response. Stop asking for permission and stop giving them information they will only lecture you about. If they criticize you, say, “Thanks for your opinion,” and then do whatever you want. They eventually will stop expecting to

have so much influence on you. Meanwhile, please ask your doctor to refer you to a therapist who can help with your depression.

Dear Annie: My husband and I were saddened by “Arizona,” who complained about an obese man who works in his yard. Maybe if she got to know the man, she would find a wonderful human being inside this body. My obese friends are so much more than their weight, and for some of them, it takes great courage to carry on because of people with “Arizona’s” attitude.

I think it’s wonderful this man feels comfortable enough in his own skin to be out gardening and creating beauty. Perhaps instead of closing the blinds, she could open her heart. -- Thin in Camarillo

Dear Camarillo: Stereotyping people on the basis of their looks is always a bad idea and precludes developing some wonderful friendships. Thanks for saying so.

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SATURDAY EVENING											
12/15/07	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
BROADCAST CHANNELS											
(2)	News	Friends	Friends	Seinfeld	COPS	Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted	News	Sport Wrp	Mad TV	
(4)	(5:00) NFL Football Cincinnati Bengals at San Francisco 49ers.				Sports	Tech Now	Saturday Night Live		News (N)		
(5)	CBS News	News (N)	Without a Trace	48 Hours Mystery	Movie: ★★ "Surviving Christmas" (2004)		Women's Murder Club	News (N)			
(6)	News (N)	Ebert	Jeopardy!	Fortune	Antiques Roadshow	Romance	Mystery! (DVS)	Mystery! (DVS)	Austin City		
(6)	Branson Jubilee										
(8)	Johnny Canales	Memo-Tivo	Telerimto	Boxeo Clásico	Película: "Carnaval en Brasil" (1952)	Oscarito.	Pura Ener				
(9)	Celtic Woman C'mas	Brenda Watson's Detox Strategy		Brenda Watson's Detox Strategy			Bob Dylan: Live				
(9)	Green Life	Jim	Cold Squad	Da Vinci's Inquest	ReGenesis	24			Chappelle		
(36)	Shield	49ers	TMZ (N)		Movie: ★★ "Blizzard" (2003)	Brenda Blethyn.	Law & Order: SVU		Taxi		
(40)	Paid Prog.	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	COPS	Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted	News (N)		Mad TV	
(44)	Cold Case		Two Men	Two Men	King	King	UFC Wired	CSI: Miami		Cold Case	
(50)	Entertainment Tonight	News (N)	Ebert	Movie: ★★ "All I Want for Christmas" (1991)			★★ "The Adventures of Huck Finn"				
CABLE CHANNELS											
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AMC	(5:00) Movie: "Miss Congeniality"	Movie: ★★ "Miss Congeniality" (2000)	Sandra Bullock.		Movie: ★★ "Three Amigos!"						
COM	(5:00) "Legally Blonde"	Scrubs	Scrubs	Ralphie May: Prime Cut	Li'l Bush	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park
DISC	Great Pyramid	King Tut's Mystery	History-Freemasons	History-Freemasons	Killer Squid	Ant Wars					
DISN	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life
ESPN	Rodeo Wrangler National Finals Championship (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)	SportsCenter (Live)	Fastbreak						
FAM	Movie: "Holiday in Handcuffs" (2007)	Movie: "Snowglobe" (2007)	Christina Milian.	Movie: "Snowglobe" (2007)							
FSB	Football	High School Spotlight	High School Football CIF State Division I Championship -- Teams TBA.	Final Score	Basketball						
LIFE	"Under the Mistletoe"	Movie: "A Dad for Christmas" (2006)		Movie: "Christmas in Paradise" (2007)		Anatomy					
NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Drake	Carly	Jordan	School	Drake	Lopez	Lopez	Fresh Pr.	
SCI FI	Movie: "Showdown at Area 51" (2007)			Movie: "Decoys 2: Alien Seduction" (2007)		Movie: "Showdown at Area 51"					
TBS	Sex & City	Sex & City	Raymond	Raymond	Movie: ★★ "Monster-in-Law" (2005)		Movie: ★★ "Bewitched" (2005)				
TNN	The Ultimate Fighter	UFC Unleashed		UFC Best of 2007							
TNT	"Lara Croft Tmb"	Movie: ★★ ★ "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" (2002)	Elijah Wood.		"Chronicles-Ridd"						
USA	Psych	Monk	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU
WGN	"A Hobo's Christmas"	WGN News at Nine (N)	Scrubs	Reno 911!	24						
PREMIUM CHANNELS											
HBO	(15) Movie: ★★ "Just Like Heaven" (2006)	Movie: ★★ ★ "Dreamgirls" (2006)	PG-13	(15) "Universal Soldier: The Return"							
MAX	(15) Movie: ★★ ★ "Jet Li's Fearless" (2006)	Movie: ★★ "Beerfest" (2006)	R	Movie: ★★ "Eragon" (2006)	PG						
SHOW	(15) Movie: ★★ ★ "Premium" (2006)	R	Dexter (TV)		Movie: ★★ "Madea's Family Reunion"						

SUNDAY EVENING											
12/16/07	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
BROADCAST CHANNELS											
(2)	Frasier (H)	Seinfeld (H)	King of Hill (H)	King of Hill (H)	Simpsons (H)	King of Hill (H)	Family Guy (H)	Amer Dad (H)	News (H)	Sport Wrp (H)	Sec Look (H)
(4)	(5:15) NFL Football Washington Redskins at New York Giants.				Giants.	Sports (H)	Sports (H)	Wine (H)	Dateline NBC (H)		News (N)
(5)	CBS News (N)	News (N)	60 Minutes (H)	(H)	Survivor: China "A Slippery Little Sucker" (N)		Survivor: China (H)		Survivor: China (H)		News (N)
(6)	News (N)	Ebert (H)	Funnies Home Videos (H)		Extreme-Home (H)		Desperate Housewives (H)		(.01) Brothers & Sisters (H)		News (N)
(6)	Windfinder (H)	America (H)	Nature "Raptor Force" (H)		Nature "Violent Hawaii" (H)		Masterpiece Theatre (H)	(Part 1 of 2) (DVS)	Nature (H)		Nature (H)
(8)	Película: "El Taxi Negro" (1982)	Fabian.			Película: "Amor de Lejos" (1954, Drama)			Se Presume Inocente (H)	México (H)		
(9)	Happiness Prescription (H)		The Brain Fitness Program (H)				Great Performances (H)	(H)		Detox Strategy (H)	
(20)	Green Life (H)	My Wife (H)	Sports Bay Area (H)		Movie: ★★ "Cutthroat Island" (1995)				Cheaters (H)	(H)	Sports (H)
(36)	Still Strnd (H)	Better Life (H)	Lighting-Tree (H)		Movie: ★★ "Darkness Falls" (2003, Horror)				Law & Order: SVU (H)		Frasier (H)
(40)	(5:00) "Undisputed" (H)	King of Hill (H)	King of Hill (H)	Simpsons (H)	King of Hill (H)	Family Guy (H)	Amer Dad (H)		News (N) (H)	(H)	Family Guy (H)
(44)	Grandma Got Run Over (H)	CW Now (H)	Aliens (H)	Next Top Model (H)		Crowned-Pageants (H)		Family Guy (H)	Family Guy (H)		CSI: Miami (H)
(50)	24 (H)	(H)	News (N) (H)	Raymond (H)	CSI: Miami "Rush" (H)		Star Trek (H)	(H)	Farscape "Kansas" (H)		CSI: Miami (H)
CABLE CHANNELS											
A&E	Cold Case Files (H)		Cold Case Files (H)		The First 48 (H)		The First 48 (H)		The First 48 "Torched" (H)		Paranormal (H)
AMC	"The Wedding Planner" (H)		Movie: ★★ "The In-Laws" (2003)	(H)		Movie: ★★ "The Blue Lagoon" (1980)					"Against" (H)
COM	(5:00) ★★ "Duplex" (H)		Movie: ★★ ★ "Office Space" (1999)	(H)		Silverman (H)	Silverman (H)		Movie: "Jacksass: The Movie" (H)		
DISC	Planet Earth: Oceans.		Planet Earth "Caves" (H)		Planet Earth (H)		Planet Earth (H)		Fearless Planet (N)	(H)	Earth (H)
DISN	Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)		Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)		Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)		Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)		Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)		Suite Life "Suite Life" (H)
ESPN	College Basketball (H)		College Football Live (H)		SportsCenter (Live) (H)			SportsCenter (Live) (H)			SportsCtr. (H)
FAM	Santa Claus (H)		Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Incredibles" (2004)	Premiere.	(H)			Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Incredibles" (2004)			
FSB	NHL Hockey: Sharks at Ducks (H)		Shark Byte (H)		Poker Superstars II (H)		Sport Science (H)		Final Score (H)	Final Score (H)	Mind, Body (H)
LIFE	"Eve's Christmas" (H)		Movie: "Christmas at Water's Edge" (2004)			Movie: "A Diva's Christmas Carol" (2000)	(H)				Medium (H)
NICK	Naked (H)		School (H)		Carly (H)		Home Imp. Lopez (H)		Lopez (H)	Fresh Pr. (H)	Fresh Pr. (H)
SCI FI	(4:00) Movie: ★★ "The Poseidon Adventure" (2005)				Movie: ★★ "The Triangle" (2001, Suspense)		Twilight Z. (H)		Twilight Z. (H)		BeastMstr (H)
TBS	Movie: ★★ "Bewitched" (2005)	(H)			Movie: ★★ "Monster-in-Law" (2005)	(H)			Movie: ★★ "Monster-in-Law" (2005)		
TNN	CSI: Crime Scn (H)		CSI: Crime Scn (H)		CSI: Crime Scn (H)		CSI: Crime Scn (H)		CSI: Crime Scn (H)		CSI (H)
TNT	"The Lord of the Rings" (H)		Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" (2003)		Elijah Wood. (H)						"Reign" (H)
USA	"The First Wives Club" (H)		Movie: ★★ "50 First Dates" (2004)	(H)		Movie: ★★ "Bruce Almighty" (2003)	(H)				Law SVU (H)
WGN	Funny Things Kids Do (H)		WGN News (H)	Replay (H)	Scrubz (H)	Corner Gas (H)	Corner Gas (H)	Becker (H)	Funnies Home Videos (H)		Wilkos (H)
PREMIUM CHANNELS											
HBO	"Walk" (H)	(145) Movie: ★★ ★★ "Star Wars IV: A New Hope" (1977)					Extras Success is not what it seems. (H)		★ "Deck the Halls" (H)		
MAX	(5:15) "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005)		Movie: ★★ "Eragon" (2006)	PG (H)		On Set (H)			Movie: ★★ "Snakes on a Plane" (H)		
SHOW	(5:00) ★★ "Jumanji" (H)	(6:50) Movie: ★★ ★ "Mission: Impossible III" (H)				Dexter (N) (H)			Dexter (TV) (H)		"Urban" (H)

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12-15,22,29/07,1-5/08 **AMENDED SUMMONS** **(CITACION JUDICIAL)**

CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso)

SCUK CVG 0799565

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (Aviso al Demandado): **Robert Riley, Allan Bowman, Valerie Bowman, Rick Baker, Tony Sorace, Steve Haglund, Heather Haglund, and Does 7-10 inclusive**

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (Lo está demandando el Demandante): **Diana Appelgren**

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find those court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay for the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

Después de que le entreguen esta citación judicial usted tiene un plazo de 30 DIAS CALENDARIOS para presentar una respuesta escrita a máquina en esta corte. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no le ofrecera protección; su respuesta escrita a máquina tiene que cumplir con las formalidades legales apropiadas si usted quiere que la corte escuche su caso. Si usted no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso, y le pueden quitar su salario, su dinero y otras cosas de su propiedad sin aviso adicional por parte de la corte. Existen otros requisitos legales. Puede que usted quiera llamar a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia de abogados o a una oficina de ayuda legal (vea al directorio telefónico).

The name and address of the court is: **(El nombre y dirección de la corte es) SUPERIOR COURT OF OF MENDOCINO COUNTY, UKIAH BRANCH 100 N. State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482**

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: **(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es)**

Diana Appelgren
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San Francisco, CA 94114
(805) 640-5406

DATE: (Fecha) Sep 28, 2007

Clerk, by KAREN CRUTCHER, Deputy

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TODAY

54



Times of clouds and sun

TONIGHT

36



Mostly cloudy and seasonably cool

SUNDAY

53

42



Sunny to partly cloudy

MONDAY

51

45



A thick cloud cover with a little rain

SUN AND MOON



Sunrise today 7:25 a.m.
Sunset tonight 4:51 p.m.
Moonrise today 11:31 a.m.
Moonset today 10:54 p.m.

MOON PHASES

First

Full

Last

New

Dec. 17 Dec. 23 Dec. 30 Jan. 8

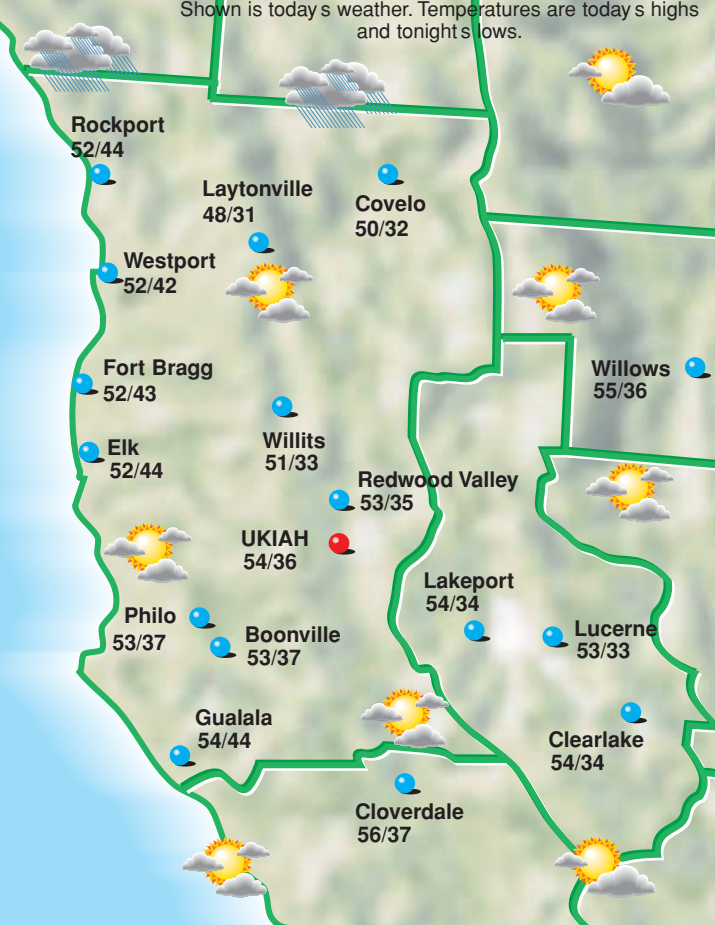
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Ukiah through 2 p.m. Friday

Temperature	
High	55
Low	28
Normal high	56
Normal low	36
Record high	76 in 1958
Record low	16 in 1940
Precipitation	
24 hrs to 2 p.m. Fri.	0.00"
Month to date	3.02"
Normal month to date	2.57"
Season to date	6.02"
Last season to date	7.30"
Normal season to date	10.90"

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CALIFORNIA CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Anaheim	68/45/s	69/45/s	Napa	56/38/pc	54/40/s
Antioch	54/39/pc	54/40/s	Needles	61/39/s	65/39/s
Arroyo Grande	63/39/s	62/32/s	Oakland	55/39/pc	55/45/s
Atascadero	63/33/pc	62/36/s	Ontario	67/39/s	67/42/s
Auburn	55/37/pc	54/40/s	Orange	68/45/s	68/38/s
Barstow	54/33/s	58/34/s	Oxnard	65/45/s	62/43/s
Big Sur	60/40/pc	59/44/s	Palm Springs	65/42/s	65/43/s
Bishop	51/17/pc	53/20/s	Pasadena	67/44/s	66/45/s
Blythe	60/37/s	64/38/s	Pomona	68/43/s	67/35/s
Burbank	68/41/s	67/43/s	Potter Valley	52/33/pc	50/41/s
California City	55/34/s	59/35/s	Redding	54/35/pc	49/38/pc
Carpinteria	60/47/s	60/41/s	Riverside	69/36/s	69/39/s
Catalina	61/48/s	61/49/s	Sacramento	52/37/pc	53/42/s
Chico	54/37/pc	52/41/s	Salinas	59/37/pc	58/42/s
Crescent City	52/40/r	52/43/c	San Bernardino	68/40/s	68/39/s
Death Valley	63/35/s	67/33/s	San Diego	67/46/s	64/49/s
Downey	69/47/s	68/46/s	San Fernando	65/43/s	66/41/s
Encinitas	66/45/s	66/44/s	San Francisco	55/43/pc	54/46/s
Escondido	68/41/s	69/41/s	San Jose	56/41/pc	56/44/s
Eureka	52/37/r	54/43/c	San Luis Obispo	65/37/pc	62/39/s
Fort Bragg	52/43/pc	53/43/pc	San Rafael	55/45/pc	55/43/s
Fresno	54/34/pc	54/37/s	Santa Ana	67/45/s	66/46/s
Gilroy	59/38/pc	58/40/s	Santa Barbara	63/36/s	63/39/s
Indio	68/38/s	69/37/s	Santa Cruz	59/40/pc	58/43/s
Irvine	67/45/s	66/46/s	Santa Monica	65/47/s	63/48/s
Hollywood	67/46/s	67/46/s	Santa Rosa	56/35/pc	53/40/pc
Lake Arrowhead	56/30/s	57/22/s	S. Lake Tahoe	41/18/pc	44/21/s
Lodi	55/36/pc	55/39/s	Stockton	52/33/pc	54/39/s
Lompoc	62/38/s	62/40/s	Tahoe Valley	41/18/pc	44/21/s
Long Beach	66/44/s	64/45/s	Torrance	68/47/s	67/48/s
Los Angeles	68/45/s	66/46/s	Vacaville	55/46/pc	52/40/s
Mammoth	45/22/pc	45/13/s	Vallejo	55/44/pc	54/40/s
Marysville	55/37/pc	54/42/s	Van Nuys	67/42/s	66/41/s
Modesto	51/35/pc	53/39/s	Visalia	52/33/pc	51/35/s
Monrovia	67/44/s	67/43/s	Willits	51/33/pc	49/40/s
Monterey	57/41/pc	57/43/s	Yosemite Valley	49/19/pc	51/21/s
Morro Bay	57/42/pc	57/44/s	Yreka	43/25/pc	45/32/c

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Lake Mendocino – Lake level: 709.45 feet; Storage: 28,163 acre-feet (Maximum storage 122,500 acre-feet) Inflow: 60 cfs Outflow: 97 cfs
Air quality – Ozone: .030 ppm (State standard .090 ppm) Carbon monoxide: 1.33 ppm (20.0 ppm) Nitrogen dioxide: .025 ppm (.25 ppm)

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totaling \$1,250.

Donations received earlier in the drive, but not previously reported, also include: \$1000, Anonymous; \$500, David A. Carter and Mary Ann Villwock; \$500, John & Kathy Lehner; \$500, Tony's Barber Shop; \$200, Anonymous; \$200, Robert & Diane Shugart; \$100, Anonymous; \$100, Tom & Anita Faria; \$100, Connie & Cliff Smoot; \$100, Bill & Diane Brunemeyer; \$100, Leon & Nancy Springer;

\$100, Uta & Todd Telfer; \$100, David & Christy Scollin; \$100, Corinne & Ernest Olson; \$100, Chevalier Vineyard Management; \$60, American Legion Lewis White Post 76; \$50, Mary Kameko Shibata; \$50, Donna Pallini; \$50, Maggie Cooper; \$50, Gene & Nicole Rains; \$50, Rone Dana Galletti; \$50, Lon & Joan Fortin; \$50, Jerilyn R. Harris; \$50, Russ & June Kinsey; \$50, Robert & Polly Menendez; \$50, Richard P., Patricia D., & Richard M. Shoemaker; \$50, Joan M. Simpson; \$50, Velma Dockins; \$40, in memory of Ray Eby & Gino Bettini; \$30, Forrest & Dorris Awtrey; \$30,

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The Fund Drive now stands at \$56,971.82. The goal for this year's drive is \$85,000. Send your check or money order (made out to the UCC Food Bank) to UDJ Food Bank Fund Drive, Ukiah Community Center, 888 N. State St., Ukiah, CA 95482.

Valor

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for a short distance before colliding with a tree and coming to a stop. Investigation found that the driver, a 19-year-old gang member had been shot and killed and one of the car's passengers had been shot in the wrist.

Further investigation revealed that the suspects in the car were wanted in connection with a number of robberies, including the armed robbery of a fruit stand earlier that day. They were also still in possession of the wallet of the young man who was robbed earlier that day.

"Officer Howland's police instincts and tactics were on target; he went to the right

area and located the gunman," the SPD said in a citation naming Howland Officer of the Year for his actions. "He attempted to de-escalate the situation to limit the danger to innocent bystanders. Showing great restraint he tried to verbally secure the suspects' compliance, but decisions made by these criminals determined the course of reso-

lution, necessitating armed response."

Howland is not the first Ukiah resident to receive the Medal of Valor. In 2003, Ukiah Police Department Sgt. Marcus Young received the award for his actions during a shootout in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

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